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Possible Trouble Nipped In the Bud.

By dint of hard work, the Police have cleared the Colony of an influx of undesirable recruits for the late Dr. Sun's mercenary armies, "fed up" with Army life, and deserters from Canton.

Emphatic denials have failed to keep secret the fact that drafts for Dr. Sun Yat-sen's army have been collected at treaty ports and shipped to Canton via Hongkong. As many know, the strongest force in Canton at present is the Yunnanese army under General Yang Hsi-man, himself a native of Yunnan. He is said to be co-operating with Tang Chi-yao, Tsuchun of that far-off province which is becoming notorious as having produced several adventuring armies to overrun other provinces.

During the last year or two, Yunnanese have been travelling through Hongkong to join the colours. Most of them, as country yokels with little or no military training, are sent overland to the Yangtze River, down to Shanghai, where they embark for Hongkong and Canton direct. Others have found their way by road and rail to Haiphong and then to Hongkong.

Recently, recruiting had become a trade. Instead of recruiting sergeants, there were canvassers acting with boarding houses in the ports of shipment. Passages were arranged for the men brought together.

Whether in Canton or in the outlying districts, there could always be found a number either dissatisfied with military life or who had committed a crime. To escape they must get out of Canton. To reach home they must travel through Hongkong. It was only natural that the majority of deserters should take boat down here. For preference they choose a vessel on which there might be Northerners who speak their language.

It is the practice of the steamers in question to tie up at West Point. In course of time, a fair-sized non-Cantonese colony grew up in the Western district. Many were bona fide workmen, seafarers, itinerant traders, hawkers, &c. But in the last few months, there came not a few who, without fixed abode or occupation, were nothing more than human parasites. When any of their fellow provincials came ashore with money, they attempted to sponge on them, and very often a fight resulted. Others took to bullying the law-abiding Northern and Yunnan men in the district, and street rows were very common. A few became adepts at cargo pilfering on the water front, while instances of molestation were reported.

Before the nuisance could assume alarming proportions, however, the West Point Police got to work and gradually rounded up every one of the crowd who did not have work or a fixed abode. In almost every case, the men were found to have had some

former connection with the Yunnan mercenaries in Canton and to have finished up generally with unenviable records.

To safeguard against any further influx of this class of undesirables, special attention is now being paid to the sources from which the men are likely to come. Those that were rounded up and sent away by the local authorities will probably be telling their comrades that Hongkong is not such a happy hunting ground after all.

MAY DAY.

A Slight Melee In London.

**MARCH TO LEGATION.
BULGARIAN OFFICIAL BOOED.**
(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 1.

At the conclusion of the May Day and Labour demonstrations in Hyde Park, a procession marched to the Bulgarian Legation where, amid the singing of the Red Flag, a protest was presented against the alleged persecution of the Bulgarian workers.

The crowd outside listened to speeches by the leaders, including Mr. Ben Tillet, M.P. A slight melee resulted from the police clearing the pavement. Amid booing, a Legation official,

SPORTING VENTURE.

**LATEST WORLD FLIGHT.
AN UNUSUAL ROUTE.**

Italian Flier's Visit to Hongkong.

Intrepid airmen who have used Hongkong as a temporary haven in the course of their world flight had still before them the greater part of their journey but this will not be so in the case of the Italian aviator when he arrives here.

Commander di Pinedo, who left Sesto Celende on April 22 and arrived this week at Bushire, does not anticipate calling at Hongkong until he has circled Australia and jumped from there to the Philippines, Japan and North China. By the time that he gets to Hongkong from Shanghai he will be in a position to look back on by far the most difficult sector accomplished.

Commander di Pinedo has been credited with the resolve to break the time record set up by the

Frenchman, Captain Pelletier D'Oisy, on his journey from Paris to Shanghai, but it is difficult to reconcile this with the plan of the proposed route.

Apart from a request to collaborate with the local offices of the Asiatic Petroleum Company in landing arrangements, the Italian Consul-General at Hongkong, Comm. S. Carrara, knows nothing of the flight other than what has appeared in Reuter's brief cable. It would seem, however, that the flight has been undertaken in much the same spirit as was D'Oisy's gallant effort, arranged in the first place as a "sporting" affair, but later operated with the full knowledge and sanction of the authorities who have taken in hand the arrangements with the various Governments over whose territories he will pass.

The machine flown by the Italian is a Lorraine seaplane model, built in Italy, and its behaviour in the course of this extremely difficult undertaking will furnish valuable data for the Italian Government.

Although Comm. S. Carrara informed the "China Mail" upon enquiry that the flight had not progressed sufficiently for anything definite to be arranged, it was thought that the landing place for Hongkong would be the same as for the other aviators, between Stonecutters and Laichikok. At a later stage, if this was agreed upon the charts which were available could be forwarded to the aviator.

As this is the first long distance flight to the Far East this year, the progress of Commander di Pinedo will be followed with interest and it may be that it will be but the forerunner of many similar attempts, although it is doubtful if other airmen will choose a route which appears a little strange on the face of it. Capt. D'Oisy covered 10,000 miles in something like ninety flying hours, however, and maintained the extraordinary average of about 110 miles per hour, and if it can be done once there is no reason why it should not be done again.

Aviation enthusiasts and the general public will join in wishing the latest aspirant to long distance flying fame a successful voyage and a more fitting entry into the Colony than the two Portuguese airmen who had the hard luck to crash whilst on their way to Macao and to arrive in Hongkong by train!

Latest News.

(Reuter's Service.)

Rome, May 1.

The Italian aviator di Pinedo has arrived at Charbar, Baluchistan.

PRINCE GEORGE.

EMBARKS ON MALWA FOR EAST.

(Reuter's Service.)

MARSEILLES, May 1.

Prince George embarked on the P. & O. s.s. Malwa which sails at midnight.

PATH OF RUIN.



One of the buildings wrecked by the recent terrible earthquake at Talika, details of which will be found elsewhere in this issue, along with some striking photographs taken by an English lady traveller.

MONDAY'S PRETTY WEDDING.



Photo by Mei Fong.

Group taken at the wedding at St. Joseph's Church on Monday of Miss Florence Alice Simmons and Mr. Benjamin Albert Proulx, who are seen with the two sisters of the bride, Misses Gertrude and Kathleen Simmons, who were bridesmaids, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. J. Simmons and Mr. F. P. Lenfesty, best man.

BATHING BEACHES.

STONECUTTERS TIME TABLE.

Official confirmation of the bathing provisions for Hongkong, particulars of which have already appeared in the "China Mail," is contained in the current number of the "Government Gazette."

North Point Bathing Beach, was opened yesterday at a charge of 10 cents a person; Stonecutters and Kennedy Town provisions will be available from Friday May 15, a fee of 5 cents being charged at Kennedy Town and of 10 cents for the use of the beach at Stonecutters, return fare from Pottinger Street Pier being 30 cents and from the Police Pier, Tsim Tsa Tsui, 20 cents.

The Stonecutters time table is as follows:—

Monday to Friday.

Ferry leaves Pottinger Street Pier, 5.00 p.m.
Ferry calls at Police Pier, Tsim Tsa Tsui, 5.10 p.m.
Ferry leaves Police Pier, Tsim Tsa Tsui, 5.15 p.m.
Ferry arrives Stonecutters Island, 5.35 p.m.
Ferry leaves Stonecutters Island, 5.45 p.m.

On Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays.

Ferry leaves Pottinger Street Pier, 3.00 p.m. and 4.20 p.m.
Ferry calls at Police Pier, Tsim Tsa Tsui, 3.10 p.m. and 4.30 p.m.
Ferry leaves Police Pier, Tsim Tsa Tsui, 3.15 p.m. and 4.35 p.m.
Ferry arrives Stonecutters Island, 3.40 p.m. and 5.00 p.m.

Ferry leaves Stonecutters Island, 3.45 p.m. and 5.45 p.m.
Return fare from Pottinger Street Pier, 30 cents.
Return fare from Police Pier, Tsim Tsa Tsui, 20 cents.

replying to the protest, declared that stories were maliciously spread and were not worthy of credence.

Moscow's Joy.

Moscow, May 1.
The May Day celebrations opened with a review of the Moscow garrison by M. Frunze, Commissar of War, in which fifty aeroplanes participated.

The members of the Government and the Diplomatic Corps were present.

Later entertainments were given in the town which was brilliantly decorated and illuminated.

Canton Parade.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Canton, May 1.
A procession three miles long, writes our Canton correspondent, was the main feature of the May Day celebrations at Canton yesterday. Cries of "Down with foreign religion!" "Down with capitalism!" and "Hurrah for the progressive Soviet!" were heard along the procession. Pamphlets were also distributed.

Some of the Kuomintang troops are also said to have been in the parade but they were unarmed, for fear of being disarmed by the Yunnanese who have provoked a crisis by usurping the power of the Canton civil government.

Mr. A. H. Crook, of Queen's College, and Mrs. Crook, sailed for Home by the Macedon this morning. A large number of friends assembled at Blake Pier to wish their bon voyage. When Mr. Crook returns in November he will succeed Mr. B. Tanner as Headmaster of Queen's College, Mr. Tanner relinquishing the post to retire.

RIOTOUS SAILORS.

FINED FOR DAMAGING PROPERTY.

At the Central Magistracy this morning, before Mr. S. B. B. McElderry, two stokers and four able seamen from the H.M.S. Titania and Brisbane were charged with disorderly conduct, damage to property and assault. In the first case, four men charged with the offences at the Van Kan Yuen restaurant, Wanchai, maintained that they acted in self-defence as they were assaulted by the inmates with a bamboo pole. Evidence was given by the restaurant people that the defendants smashed up the articles in the shop and assaulted them on refusing to supply them with drinks at 12.45 this morning. The first defendant was fined \$10 on the first charge and the others \$5 each. On the other charges they were ordered to pay compensation, \$8 each on the second charge and \$3 each on the third.

The other case was against the two stokers who entered a house at 11 p.m. yesterday. They pleaded guilty, and were fined \$5 each on the first charge. In addition they were asked to pay \$1.50 each compensation for the damage to property, and \$1 each to an injured girl. The Magistrate in inflicting the sentences remarked that he was dealing with them leniently in view of their good records as borne out by their officers.

HOME MAILS.

The London letters dated April 10 via Siberia, due here to-day from Shanghai by the s.s. Luchow, had not arrived at time of going to press. It is expected that the vessel will be here some time this afternoon, probably late.

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"BARDINA"	5,684	18th May	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & B'way
"BOUDAN"	5,686	25th May	S'pore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"NAGOA"	10,911	31st May	Marseilles and London
"JEYRICK"	5,813	31st May	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
"SICILIA"	5,813	11th June	Singapore and Bombay
"KALYA"	5,813	11th June	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & B'way
"MALWA"	10,941	18th June	Marseilles and London
"DELTA"	5,807	25th June	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & B'way
"KASHMIR"	5,807	11th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MAINTA"	5,807	11th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"BOUDAN"	10,911	18th July	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & Bombay
"KASHMIR"	5,807	25th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	25th Aug.	Marseilles and London
"SICILIA"	5,813	3rd Sept.	Singapore, Penang, Colbo & B'way
"KASHMIR"	5,807	10th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MAINTA"	5,807	10th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	17th Oct.	Marseilles and London

BRITISH INDIA-APCAH SAILINGS (South)	TONS	FROM HONGKONG (ABOUT)	DESTINATION
"TALAMBA"	5,018	5th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKLWA"	7,928	12th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKRA"	7,928	19th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TAKADA"	6,949	26th May	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

ASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)	TONS	FROM HONGKONG (ABOUT)	DESTINATION
"TANDA"	6,956	3rd June	Manila, Cebu, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Melbourne, Sydney and
"ARAFURA"	6,956	10th July	Manila, Cebu, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Melbourne, Sydney and
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	17th July	Manila, Cebu, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Melbourne, Sydney and
"TAKRA"	6,956	24th Sept.	Manila, Cebu, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Melbourne, Sydney and
"TAKADA"	4,500	1st Nov.	Manila, Cebu, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Melbourne, Sydney and

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"TAIREA"	7,932	5th May	Amoy, Shanghai and Kobe.
"TANDA"	6,956	12th May	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"ARAFURA"	6,956	19th May	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	26th May	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"TAKRA"	6,956	31st May	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"MALWA"	10,941	7th June	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"ARAFURA"	6,956	14th June	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	5,807	21st June	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"DELTA"	10,922	28th June	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"MAINTA"	4,500	5th July	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	12th July	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	5,807	19th July	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"BOUDAN"	10,911	26th July	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	31st July	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"SICILIA"	5,813	7th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"TAKRA"	6,956	14th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"TAKADA"	16,227	21st Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"KEIWA"	9,135	28th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"ARAFURA"	6,956	4th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"MALWA"	10,941	11th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"DELTA"	10,922	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"KALYAN"	9,144	25th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"BOUDAN"	10,911	2nd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	9th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"MAINTA"	10,909	16th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	18,985	23rd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"MOBBA"	9,911	30th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	18,985	6th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	13th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Yokohama.

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MOTOR CAR CLOCK STOLEN.

Capt. R. D. Thomas, superintendent of the Hongkong Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd., has reported to the police the theft of a clock valued at \$25 from his motor car at Salisbury Road near the "Star" ferry station.

ROBBERY CHARGE.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, four men were charged in connection with two armed robberies at 26 Kai Yan Road, Kowloon City, and 275 Portland Street, on April 21 and 22 respectively.

On the application by the Crown, the case against one of the accused was dealt with, the others being remanded until Tuesday. Outlining his case, Inspector Murphy said that five men entered the Kowloon City house, one of whom pointed a revolver at the inmates. An alarm was given and the men fled. The accused had not been identified by the inmates and the only evidence was his own statement in which he admitted taking part in the robbery.

Continuing with the facts of the other robbery, the Inspector said that four men entered the Portland Street house. They produced revolvers and daggers, gagged and bound the inmates, and stole a quantity of property before escaping. The accused in the box was arrested at a tea-house, and the others were arrested later. The accused was remanded.

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CANTON CRISIS.

CIVIL GOVERNMENT'S FALL EXPECTED MOMENTARILY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, May 1.

No surprise need be felt if the tottering Canton Civil Government finally collapses in a few days. Many felt that it was bound to come and the danger has now arisen in the source most feared—the mercenaries who have kept the Kuomintang from outsiders.

At 3 p.m. to-day, the ten days allowed by General Yang Hsi-man for Techen Wu to hand over the Police Commissioner's seals elapsed. There is also a rumour that Governor Wu Han-min has also been asked to hand over his seals of office, but this has not been confirmed.

According to the gossips, Yang will be appointed Tull of Kwangtung by Peking. Chan Kwing-ting, Governor of Swatow (?), General Lau Tsun-wan (commanding the Kwangsi mercenaries), Civil Governor, Lieut. General Liu Hsiang-chiu who has taken over the Arsenal, the Police Commissioner, a cousin of General Yang as commander-in-chief, and Lin Fu, second in command as the cousin is now fighting in Kiangsi.

Gen. Fan Shek-sang, erstwhile the strong man of Canton, who is Yunnanese himself but who is fighting the Yunnan combine, is reported to have been defeated and to be falling back on Wuchow. It is stated that troops are going up the West River in connection with the latest development.

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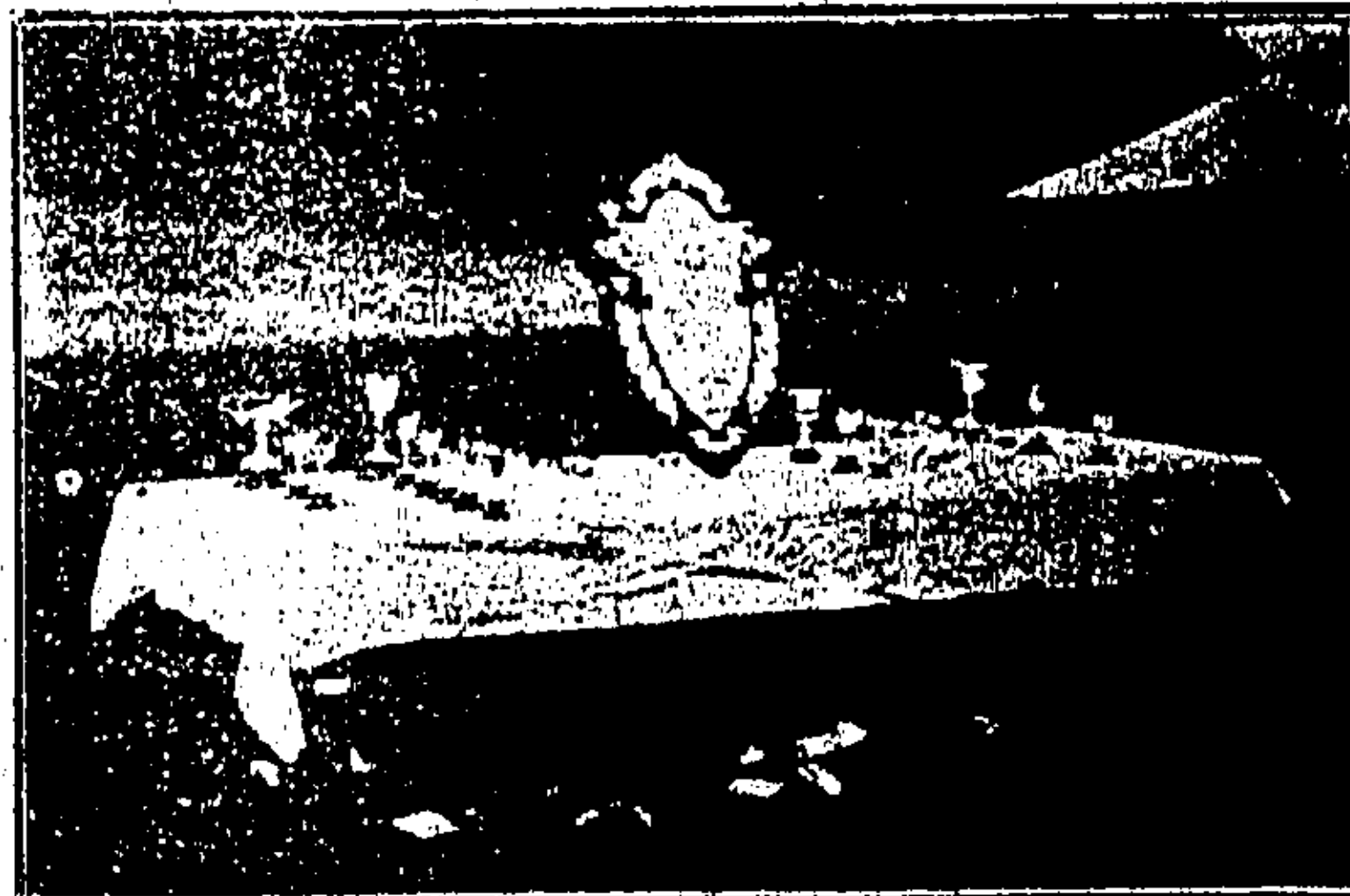
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RIFLE ENTHUSIASTS.



Bluejackets, petty officers and marines from H.M.S. Despatch, who took part in the Hongkong Rifle League's shoot last Saturday and Sunday at Kowloon City.



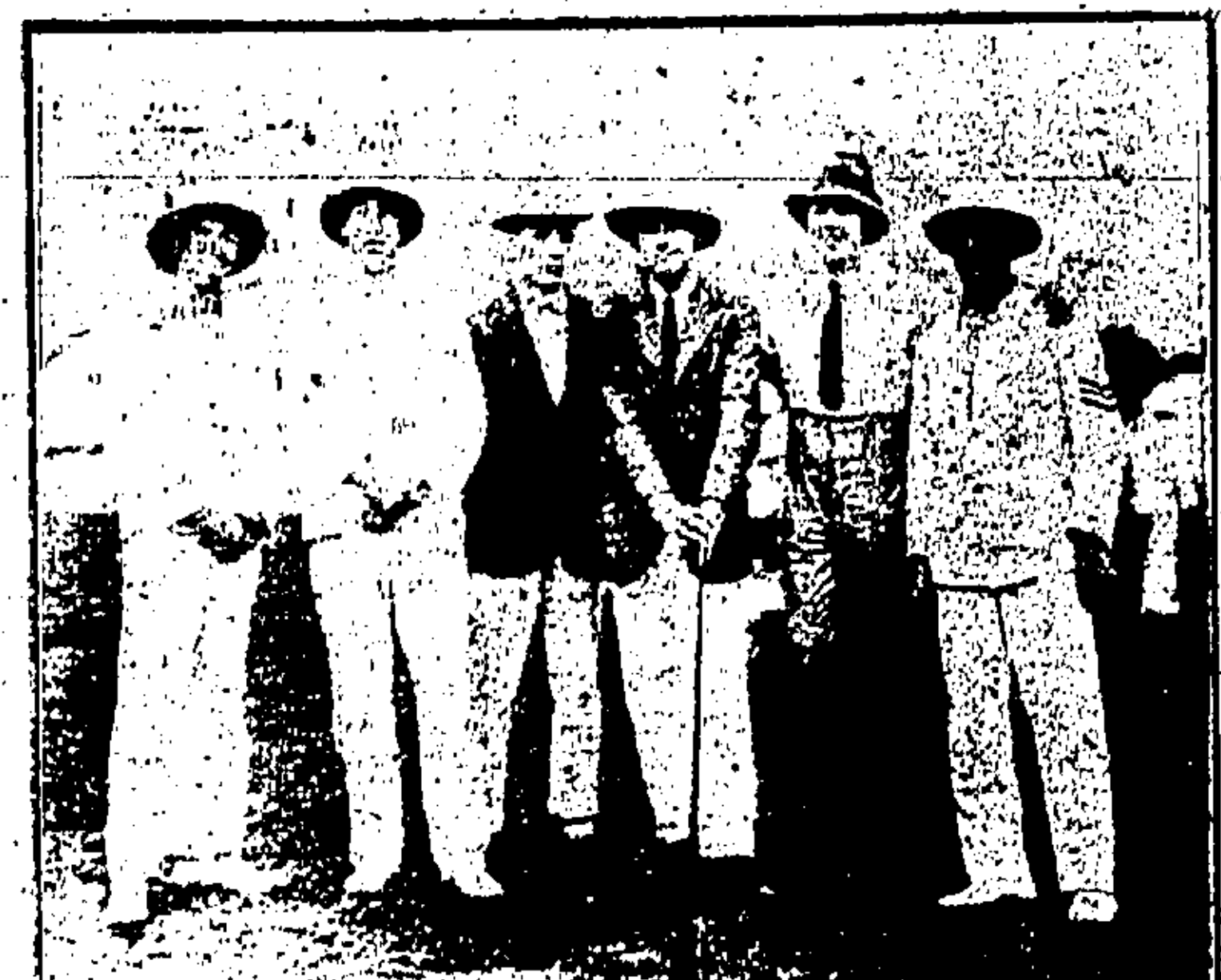
Prizes at the shoot. In the centre of the table is the Bellios Shield which was won in season 1924-25 by H.M.S. Hawkins.



"Tommy's" and civilians waiting their turn at one of the ranges. In the background a group of Marines are at "the easy."



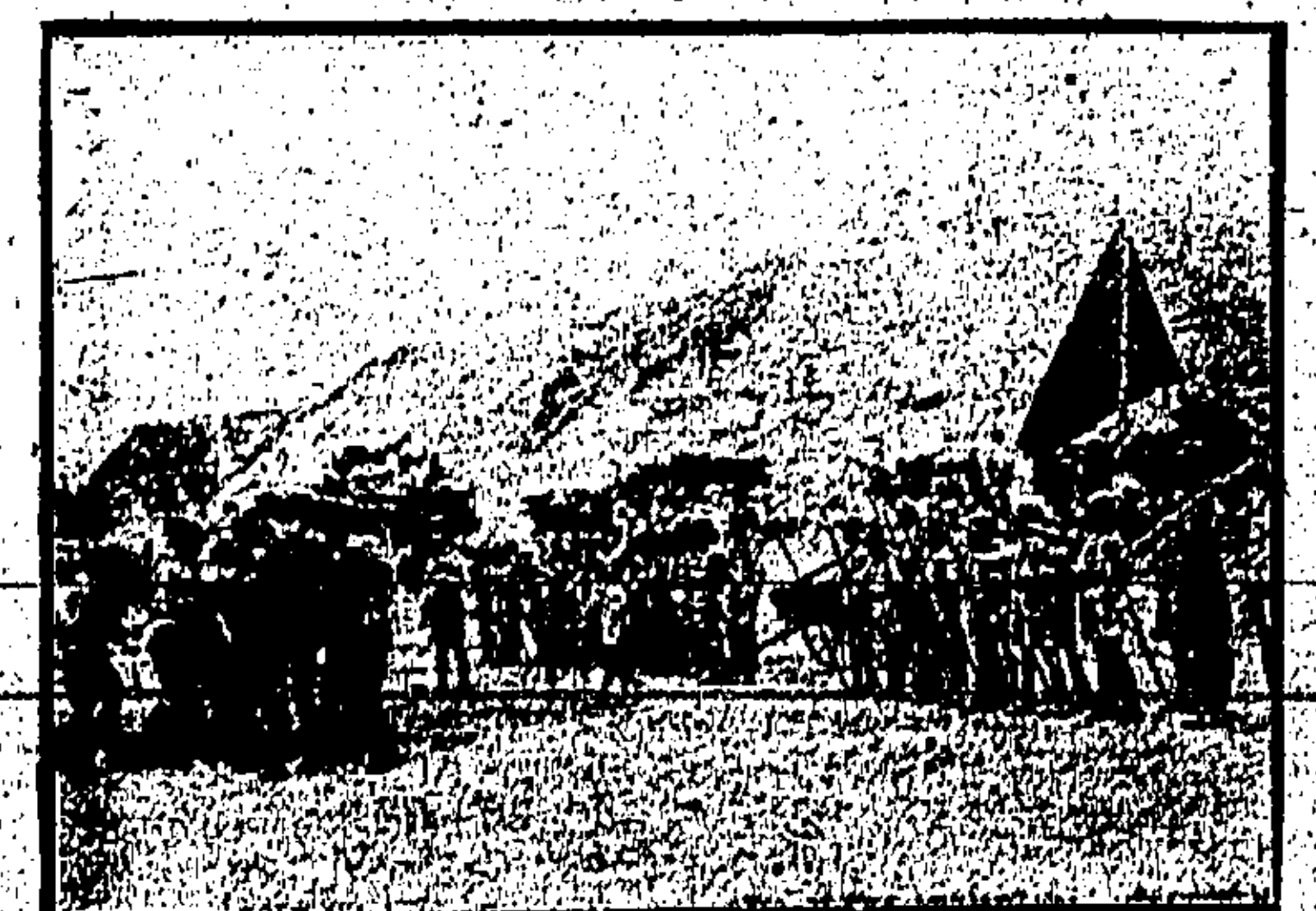
Competitors "stretched out" on one of the firing points with the scores behind.



Visitors to the range.



Another group of competitors taking a rest.

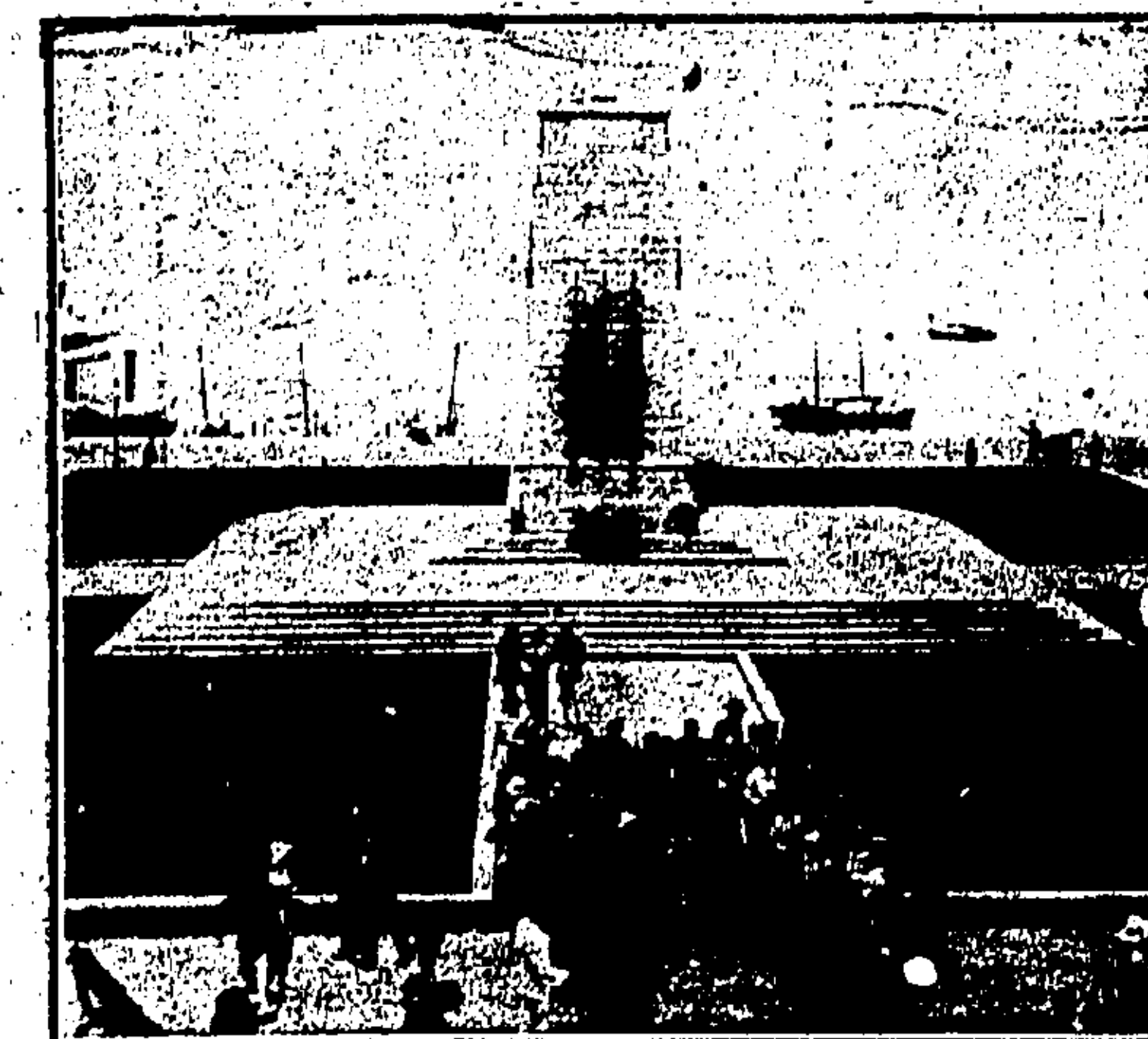


Photos by Mes. Fong.
Scouts of the 8th, 14th and 15th Hongkong Troops (affiliated to the S.C.A.A.) competing in the events for them at the Association's sports last Sunday.

TALIFU EARTH DISASTER.



These photographs taken by Miss Mary Lumsden, an English lady traveller who was in the town at the time of the disaster, show the terrible destruction wrought by the recent earthquake at Talifu. Money is urgently needed for the relief of the acute distress that has followed the disaster.

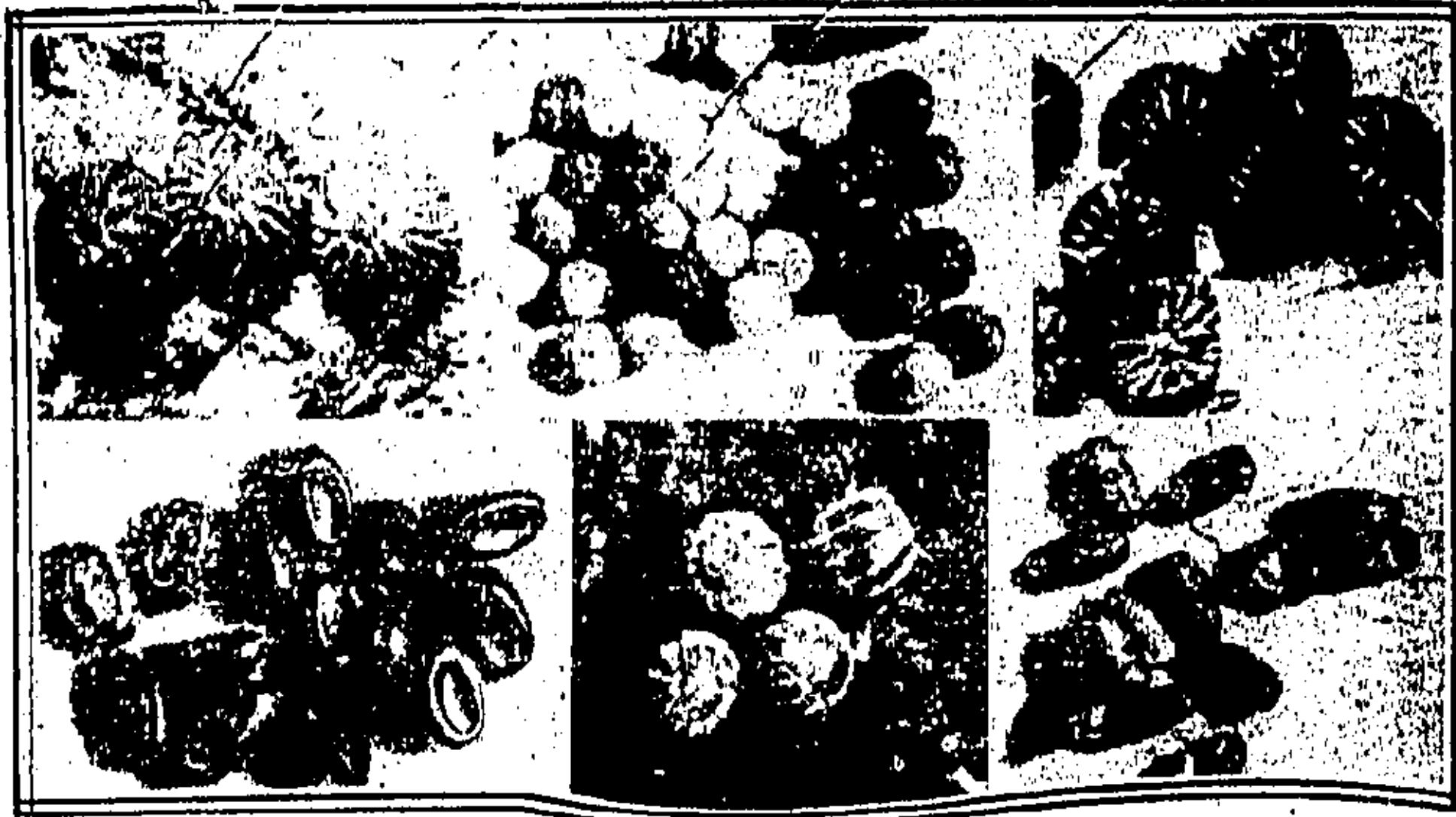


Scene at the Cenotaph on Thursday last (St. George's Day) when the local branch of the Society laid a wreath there consisting of an outer circle of white flowers with the red cross of St. George in the middle. Those who attended the ceremony included Mr. W. A. Dowley (vice-president), the Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak, the Hon. Sir Henry Pollock (past president), Mr. W. C. Shiner, Mr. E. B. C. Hornell, Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Lt.-Col. L. G. Bird, Lt.-Com. Conway Hake, R.N.R., the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, Mr. L. S. Greenhill, Mr. B. A. Hale, Mr. H. E. Hollands, Mr. E. Cock and Mr. W. Logan.



Photos by Mes. Fong.
China's young women showing keen interest in athletics—visitors at the University Sports, Wednesday last, at the Varsity ground, Pokfulam.

EASTER IN THE INSECT WORLD



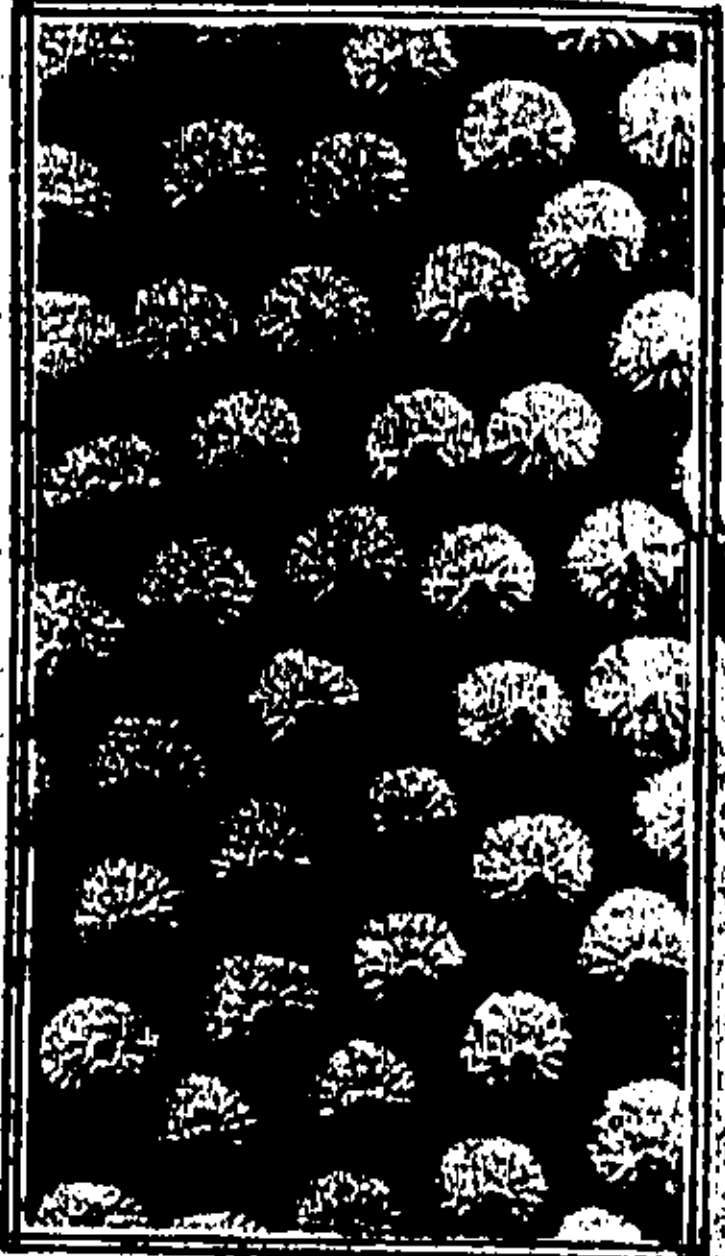
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BUTTERFLY EGGS



EGGS OF THE CUTHWORTH MOTH

With Many of Them it is a Literal Resurrection—When Spring Arrives, the Beetles Emerge from Burial Underground, and Eggs of Multitudinous Moths Are Hatched.

(By RENE BACHEL)

This world that we call ours was built for bugs. They are the creatures really numerous on the earth. Man and all other animals put together are numerically speaking, just a few, relatively.

Entomology marks a wholesale resurrection for the insects. Multitudinous species of beetles emerge from their winter's burial underground, "coming alive" again, as one might say. The eggs of countless kinds of moths—laid the previous fall on leaves and twigs and bark of trees—hatch out young. It is, everywhere, a renewal of life.

Many species of moths spend the winter in cocoons, woven of silken thread to form temporary coffins. The cocoons are not really coffins of course, because at about the Easter period their occupants wake up, as if from a comatose sleep, and prepare to emerge as winged insects.

The case of the beetles is altogether remarkable. By no means all of them seek burial in the ground during the cold months of the year, but in every instance they must pass through what is called the "pupa" stage, when they seem all but dead, being shut up in a little box. While in this stage their inside works literally dissolve to a formless jelly, and out of the latter, by some mysterious process of nature, an entirely new set of organs is developed. The crawling grub becomes a beetle, usually provided with wings for flying, and when the transformation is complete, it emerges.

When The Bugs Go To Bed.

The arrival of winter is marked by a general disappearance of insects of all kinds. It is rather apparent, then, however, you can find plenty of them in the coldest of weather, if you know how to look for them. Along the borders of swamps, examination of the reed-beds will reveal the large silvery-brown caterpillars and quivering beetles. Tufts of mosses and

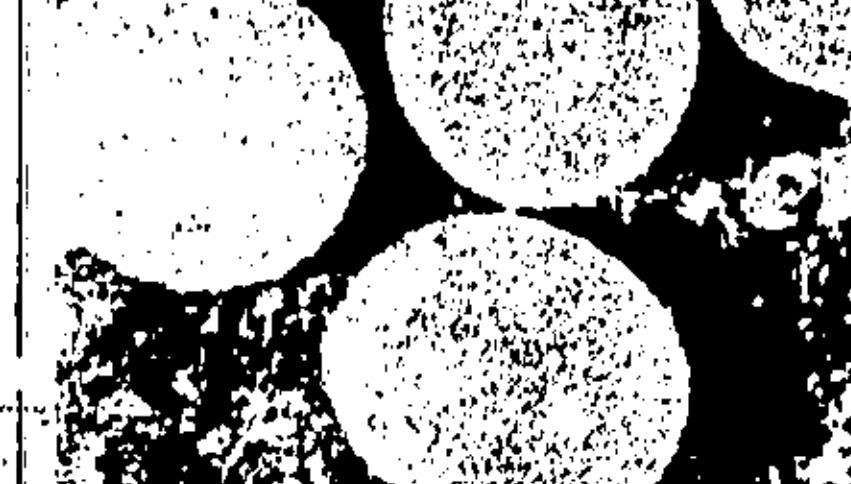
lichens on the trunks of trees will repay the trouble of detaching and shaking them over sheets of white paper, when they will yield an incredible number of small bugs. In burdock heads will be found the fat larvae of certain moths, while the chrysalids of other species may be discovered beneath old logs and chips, sometimes covered with ice.

Even the intense cold seems to have little or no effect upon such hibernating insects. Some of them actually live over the winter embedded in solid ice. Having assumed a condition that counteracts death, they do not need warmth. No matter how low the thermometer may drop a bug never freezes. But, if disturbed and taken from the place which it has prepared for itself, in a season or otherwise, it will perish.

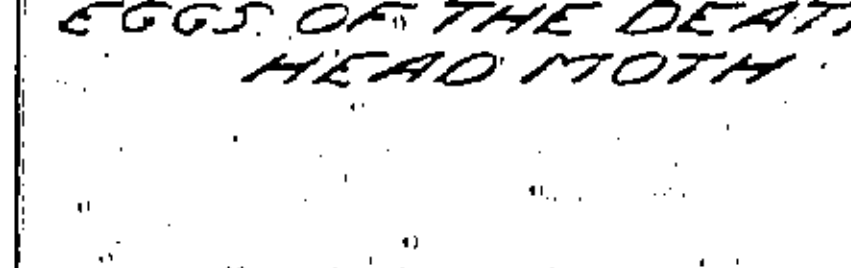
Even in the depths of winter many insects may be seen moving about on the bottom of open water, in streams or ponds. Large water-beetles and various other aquatic bugs exhibit this indifference to temperature, and, if some of the dullest from the bottom is examined, it will be found to contain the maggots of several kinds of flies. There is one species of mosquito that breeds in the fluid contained in the pitchers of pitcher-plants, and in the winter time its wrigglers are often to be discovered frozen in solid ice inside of these curious receptacles. In spring they are thawed out and transform into winged skeeters.

Moths And Butterflies.

It is a wonderful world of insect life that is revealed by intelligent search in the winter, when to the casual eye there is no such thing as a bug to be seen. In the deepest recesses of hollow trees and under fence-rails will be found hibernating "painted ladies," "swallow-tails," and other butterflies, while the chrysalids of many species of moths are discoverable in clumps of grass above the snow, or in bunches of dead leaves on bush or tree. All of them are



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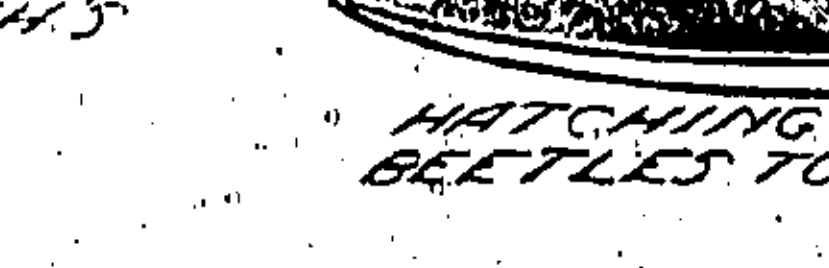
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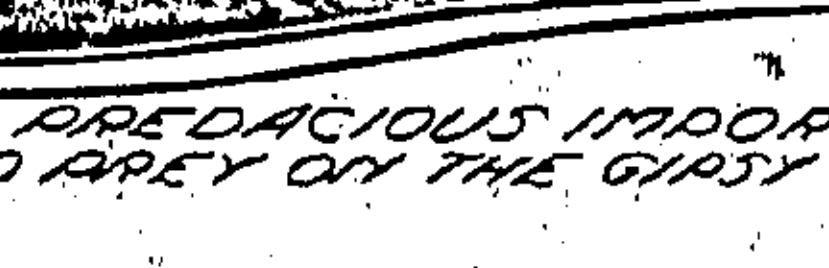
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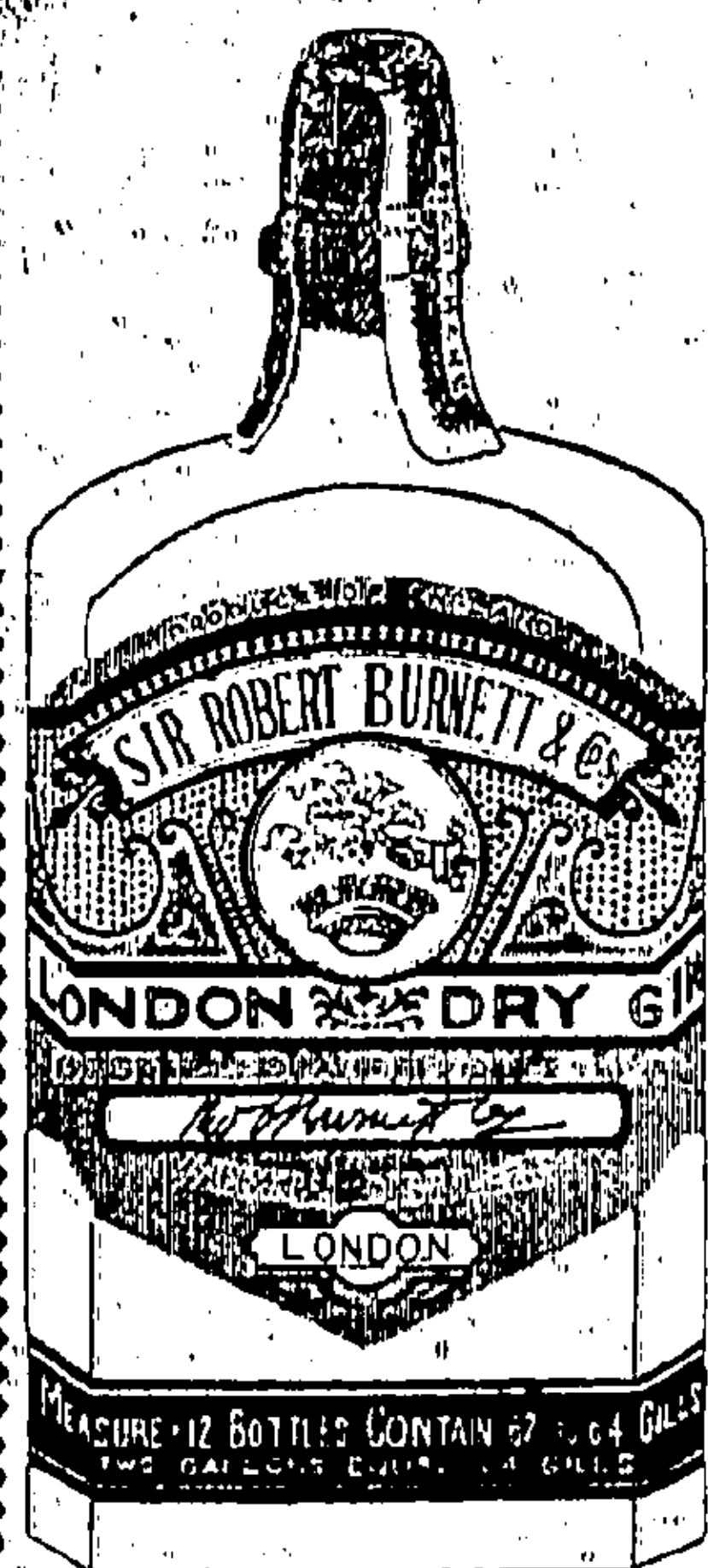
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TERRIBLE FIVE MINUTES.

HOW A TOWN WAS WIPED OUT.

NIGHT OF WAILING.

Fire Follows Severe Earthquake Shock.

Vivid details have now reached Hongkong of the recent terrible earthquake that destroyed the town of Talifu, in Western Yunnan.

Miss Mary Lumsden, an English lady traveller who happened to be in Talifu at the time of the earthquake, wrote from that city on March 22:—

On March 16, 1925, shortly after 9 p.m. a very severe earthquake took place and destroyed

four or five different parts of the town, but the one that did most damage was in the main street, the houses here had no gaps between them and the fire spread very quickly. The chief shops of the city were all burned to the ground.



People living in the streets after the disaster. These striking photographs were taken by Miss Mary Lumsden, the English lady traveller who was in the town at the time of the earthquake.

the town of Talifu, a city of 25,000 inhabitants in the province of Yunnan.

Talifu has from time to time experienced slight earthquake shocks, but there has never been any destruction to life or property.

During the night there were several shocks, but all of much less intensity. At each shock there could be heard a low wail all over the town, coming from the people who had fled from their houses, and were huddled together in groups in the streets.

WHERE THE DISASTER TOOK PLACE.

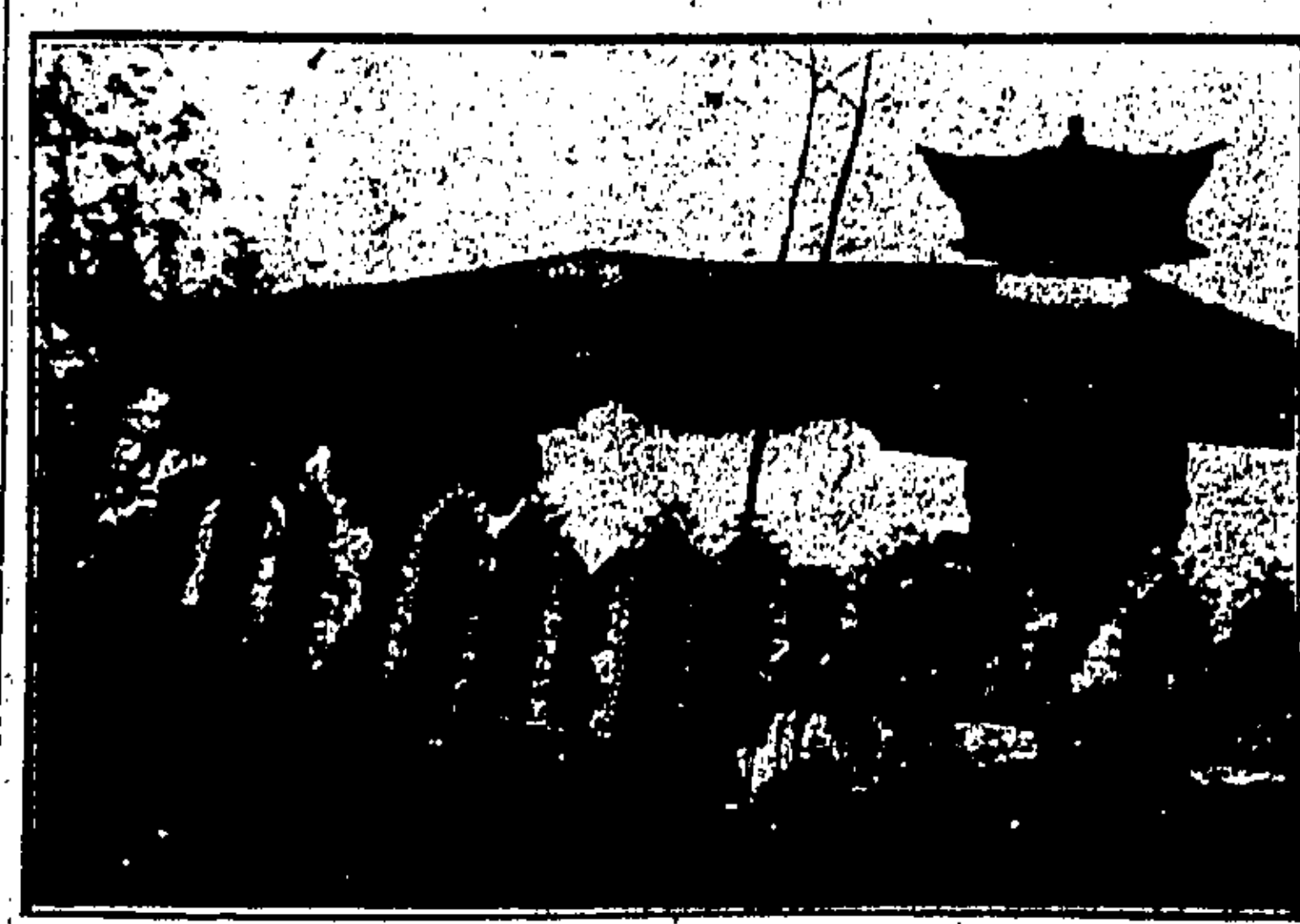


CHINESE CITY DESTROYED—Confirmatory reports have been received of the destruction by fire and earthquake of the Chinese city of Talifu, a place of about 25,000 population. The native casualties are not known, but no foreigners lost their lives.

A very distinct shock was felt on Sunday, March 15 at 2.30 p.m. and another in the same evening. On Monday, March 16 there were several shocks. Suddenly about 9.20 p.m. (the 9 p.m. gun had gone), without almost any warning, there was a heavy shock and the walls of practically every building in Talifu fell down, and several fires broke out in different parts of the town. The earthquake only lasted about five

There have been shocks repeatedly every day since the earthquake up to March 30; but these shocks have gradually decreased in number and intensity, and now are almost imperceptible.

The houses in Talifu were for the most part built on strong wooden frames, the walls being of stone and mud. They were generally two storeys high, the roofs were tiled and very firmly built in order to withstand the



Another building caught in the path of destruction.

minutes, but it was so severe that the destruction of the town was almost complete.

The fires seemed to break out in

what is being done as they might be. But that is human nature. The Dockeyard people take their place in our local scheme of things and very often—as in recent musical happenings—give a very agreeable lead. The Navy League, which wants at least 400 members, might very well use the Naval Yard as an illustration. Hongkong would, in more senses than one, be very poorly off without it. Think it over.

extraordinarily strong winds which rage here during the Spring months. The walls generally fell inwards and people were buried under them.

The number of killed was, at first, very much under-estimated. This is the contrary of what happened after the earthquake in Japan. We heard first that about 500 had been killed in Talifu, but the number grew daily and now the official figure is about 1,300 inside the city. The number from all the districts round several hundred villages, and five or six "hsien" cities, can hardly be estimated yet, but they say that outside Talifu there are at least 5,000 killed.

The foreigners in Talifu all had fortunate escapes. Mr. and Mrs. Berg's (Chinese Salt Gabelle) children were in bed in an upstairs room. The parents found the children after the earthquake buried under stones. Fortunately the children's heads were under the pillow and they were protected by thick quilts, so that no harm was done, and they were only annoyed at having to get up.

The Talifu people go to bed early and in many cases, whole families were killed in bed. Also great numbers of pack ponies and donkeys have been crushed to death or burnt.

The local official General Li was very prompt in his actions after the earthquake. He first gave orders that all dead should be carried outside the city, and he provided coffins for those who could not buy them for those of their families who had been killed.

He has also concerned himself with the price of rice, and is trying to get rice from the country districts, but is experiencing much difficulty in this matter.

After the earthquake, most people camped near their houses. The weather was very warm and coverings of cotton were made up as shelter from the sun, and to give a little privacy. But on



One of many ruined buildings.

Saturday night, March 21, there was heavy rain.

The price of living has been going up rapidly during the last year, and paper has been taking the place of silver. So that this disaster will lead to a lot of suffering. Probably some 100,000 people will be left destitute in Talifu and the towns and district round.

The work of the town is gradually beginning again. It was impossible to buy any vegetables for the first few days. Now the country people are coming in with their vegetables, and shop keepers are putting up temporary stands



Gaunt and bleak.

in the main street and selling their wares. I have been much struck with the self-control of everyone. There are a good number of petty thieves about, but the Local Official has put up a notice that they will be summarily dealt with.

Another correspondent in Yunnanfu (the capital of the province) says:—

"The Yunnan provincial officials have done absolutely nothing except to forbid the killing or sale of meat—as a recognition that the earthquake was a supernatural visitation."

Talifu, or Talho-hsien, is situated in the province of Yunnan, on the western side of Ar-hai Lake, 168 miles west-north-west of Yunnanfu, and is the entrepot of trade between the provinces of Szechwan and Burma. It possesses salt and other mines and marble quarries. No recent figures are available, but an old estimate puts the population at 25,000.

Mr. N. Bradley writes from Yunnanfu that there is great distress in the Talifu district as a result of the earthquake, and money is urgently needed. Subscriptions would be gratefully acknowledged by Dr. Bradley or the Rev. R. F. Lankester who would see that it was properly applied in the stricken region. The need is specially acute with regard to food.

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EMPIRE BULWARK.

If the attendance at the annual meeting of the Hongkong branch of the Navy League on Tuesday night was out of all proportion both to the membership and to the objects of the organisation, it is at least gratifying to know that in times of actual need there is no lack of enthusiasm. Still, as the Hon. Mr. Holyoak, the President, pointed out, there is no reason why the membership should not be 400 instead of 129.

More than in many other outpost of the Empire is the work of the Navy visible here throughout the whole year. And the presence of the Australian warship Brisbane is a reminder that the Navy is not purely local but Imperial in its activities. A common staff system in the Army binds the military forces of the various Dominions by a common doctrine, and only recently arrangements were made for the interchange of Australian and British officers in the ships of the Navy and of ships in the squadrons. Hence the presence of H.M.A.S. Brisbane. This will do much to prevent the idea that local forces are only to be used for duties of a local character. In short, it is propaganda of an Imperial kind—that the Navies of the Empire are but one for all practical purposes, no less in times of peace than in war. Union is no less needed in the Imperial Navy than it is in the Imperial Army. By the strict application of that spirit of unity can the Empire obtain the best

The Naval Yard.

Some people say that trade follows the flag. In considering Hongkong's prosperity we are apt to leave out of consideration the twin Services which are established here. Passing the Naval yard at the tiffin and tea period is an impressive thing. The imagination is kindled at seeing hundreds of men stream through the gates. They have been engaged on some little piece of repair or overhaul on one of the mighty structures that mean so much to ours and the world's safety. These men's livelihood depend upon H.M. Royal Naval Dock Yard. It is possible to believe that no matter what position Hongkong held in the commercial world, there would still be such a Dockyard as the Colony possesses, and the same number of men hammering, painting, rivetting, going through all the varied process of overhaul and reconditioning. Behind this anti-like array of Chinese is the foreign staff. Appointed here for a time, they function silently and well. The community is probably undisturbed at their presence and probably not quite appreciative of (Continued at foot of next column.)

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DOROTHY ELLINGSON

Dorothy Ellingson, 18-year-old "jazz baby" who confessed to killing her mother in San Francisco will go on trial for murder. She followed her confession with a plea of "not guilty."



DR. VEADOR LEONARD

Dr. Veador Leonard has discovered a new germicide which he calls hexyl-resorcinol and which is said to be fifty times stronger than carbolic acid. Dr. Leonard's antiseptic differs from carbolic acid in that it is non-poisonous and may be taken internally, thus furnishing a combative to disease germs in the kidneys and intestinal tract.



Above is shown the funeral cortege leaving the scene of the mine disaster in Dortmund, Germany, where more than 140 miners were killed when gas explosions occurred in the shaft. All the victims were buried in one great grave.



DR. WALTER SIMONS

Pending the Presidential elections, Dr. Walter Simons, famous German politician, was selected by the Reichstag as President ad interim of the German Republic to permit Dr. Hans Luther to resume his work as Chancellor. Dr. Simons is President of the Supreme Court at Leipzig.



One of the "tanglest" marital tangles ever heard was aired in a Chicago divorce court before Judge Sabath. James Grippando and his wife were separated and Grippando wished to marry Helen Frederick. But Mrs. Grippando showed no desire to free him by way of the divorce court. Grippando, however, got Helen Frederick to pose as "Mrs. Grippando" and sue him for divorce, alleging desertion. In court, Helen, as "Mrs. Anna Grippando," testified that her "husband" had deserted her two years before. Grippando mounted the witness stand and admitted the charge, in the hope that the court would grant the divorce and he might marry Helen. Grippando was sentenced to 30 days and Helen Frederick to 10 days in jail for contempt of court.



PRINCESS YOLANDA

Princess Yolanda, eldest daughter of Italy's King and Queen, and the wife of Count de Bergolo, Italian cavalry officer, is preparing for the arrival of her first born baby.



DR. W. GUTHRIE, BISHOP W. MANNING & WAREAU DANCE

The heated debate between Dr. William Norman Guthrie, pastor of St. Mark's Church-in-the-Bowery, New York, and Bishop William Manning, of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of New York, over the barefooted "tableau dance" presented in Dr. Guthrie's church, threatens again to assume war-like proportions. Dr. Guthrie, in spite of the fact that Bishop Manning ordered a cessation of visitations to the former's church, aided in the raising of a \$500 fund among his parishioners toward the building of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. This gift was subsequently refused by Bishop Manning.

"Complex" Death.



GEORGE W. PATTERSON, JR.

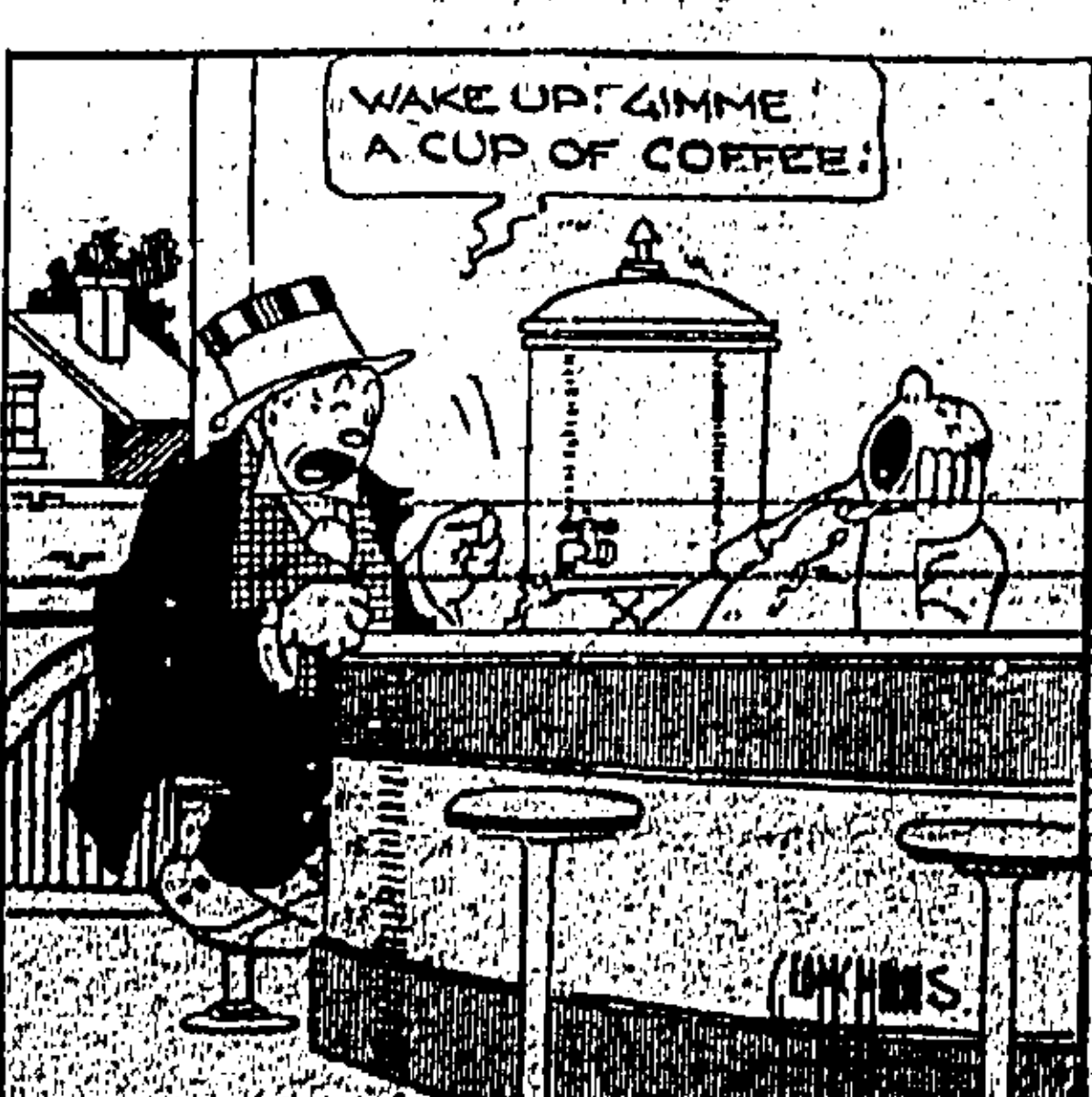
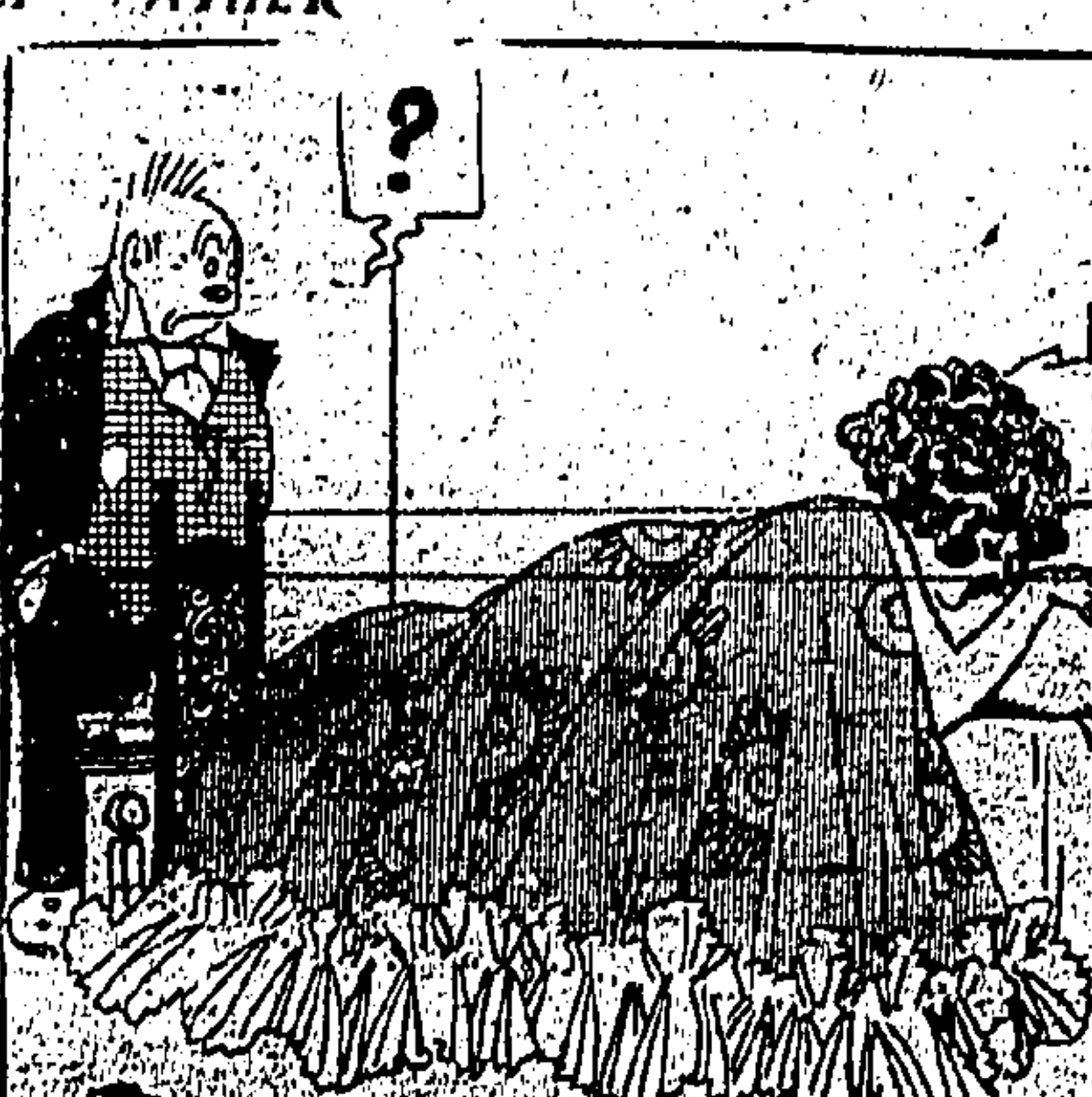
Acclaimed by his classmates in 1914 as "the one most likely to succeed," George Patterson, son of the assistant dean of the College of Engineering of the University of Michigan and hero of the French Foreign Legion, has disappeared from his home and is believed to have thrown himself off an ocean liner. His father-in-law declared he believed Patterson suffered from an "inferiority complex," with the result that he believed he had been a failure in life.



LORD ARTHUR BALFOUR, AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN, LORDS CHAMBERLAIN & LORDS CHAMBERLAIN

Shops were closed and all work stopped in Jerusalem in response to the Arabian call for a strike in protest against the British policy encouraging Jewish colonization of the Holy Land. The announcement of Austen Chamberlain, British Foreign Secretary, that Great Britain is now lined up with Germany in the problem of European security against another war has encouraged the British Government to believe President Coolidge can now call another disarmament conference without fear that the land armament problem will cause difficulty. Mrs. Clyde Byfield, of Atlanta, Ga., has been granted a new trial by the Georgia Supreme Court in her suit for \$100,000 against Walker Candler, son of the Cocco Cola king, for an alleged attack on board the liner Berengaria. President Coolidge has taken another thrust at the Senate by giving a recess appointment to Thomas F. Woodpeck, New York financial writer, as member of the Interstate Commerce Commission. The Senate failed to act on the appointment before it adjourned.

FRINDING UP FATHER



BRINGING THE HAT MODE UP-TO-DATE

The Fabric Hats of Early Spring Are Being Replaced by Models of Straw—Both Tiny Hats and Large for Summer.

The tide of millinery fashions rises and ebbs with a frequency only excelled by the tides of the ocean—and just at present it's high tide for the spring hat mode, though it will not be long before the tide will have set in. Easter marks the peak of the mode—one might say the peak of the peaked hat mode—and what styles do not already exist, are imminent. One must constantly keep in touch with tendencies that she may judge realities—there is always fashion news in regard to hats.

Even while we are rejoicing that we have passed from the shadow of velvet, evening, and their shadows before in trimmings—and we know that the smart mid-summer hat will feature winter fabrics in spite of the apparent inconsistency of the idea. But for the immediate present, we may enjoy some and interest ourselves in the new summer hat, its lightness, fabrics and rich colorful trimmings. For a day or a week—hardly a month—the mode is stabilized.

In figurative vein, the present situation may be likened to a group of tiny islands, each a style. Some few may be larger than others—the styles more general, but they are a very great many of practically equal importance with the result that every type is reasonably sure of at least one, and usually more than one, becoming fashion. And the very fact that so many styles exist, proves conclusively that no one style is, like the cloche, generally becoming.

Shapes Show Unusual Variations. It would almost seem as though there were no two shapes alike, yet there is one point of similarity in practically every model—they are short in the back. One may not attribute this to large collars, for there are none, the shoulders of both suits and coats being carefully tailored; it is the prevalence of the shingled head that makes this line imperative. In front and at the sides, brims are medium, large or tiny, when not wholly missing.

Almost any crown will do, although the pointed crown, jaunty dented or creased, has a large representation. We may feel grateful for this variety of line and size, since it assures, or should assure, becoming hats for every one. And the woman with short hair, who has always found the large hat becoming, but felt it would be denied her because of the head size required, may rejoice. There are large hats with small head sizes, planned specially for her.

Among the many models in crepes, silk, grosgrain, ribbon, straw and straw and silk combined, the all straw hat may be stressed, especially in picture models, though it is more often used with felt or silk, when of the small, chic variety. Close fitting polka, fluttering mushroom, smart turbans and tailors of all kinds employ two materials with variety and charm, and innumerable colours and trimmings add to their diversity. And once again these models speak with an unmistakable Parisian accent.

Quite in line—in one respect—with the hats that have been, are the hats that are. The small hat is smartest, and when its lines give thought to the shape of face and head, as well as the neckline, nothing could be more becoming. But for afternoon and dress wear the large hat is in demand, although there are certain types of small hats that may be worn correctly with formal frocks. A prophecy—small hats and bobbed hair will dominate this summer!

Trimming Define The Spring Vogue. While there are many models developed in fabrics that are ornamental in themselves, such a "fabrik" is moulton braid that stimulates the fur by that name—the place occupied by trimmings, both foreign and domestic, is important. It may be the trimming itself or the way it is applied, but its relation to the hat mode is clearly defined. One cannot claim, by even a stretch of the imagination, that this year's trimmings are new, but one may truthfully say that new uses have been found for old friends.

There is always a place for embroidery, and at times for the all-over embroidered hat, in the millinery mode. And hand in hand with embroidery goes applique, and this year, the newly revived quilting. All three of these trimmings permit a clever use of colour, the latter one of the chief characteristics of the mode in general, and the hat mode in particular. And hand painted, silks are being shown.

Birds and flowers—both synonymous with the spring and summer months—are included in the trimming list. A more extended use of the latter than the former, to be sure, but a generous use of both. From out fashion's bouquet, made up of every known blossom and some that are unknown, roses stand forth with their insistent charm, varying in size from the wee blossom that makes an entire hat to the huge, single blossom that droops from the floppy brim of a picture hat of hair.

While there is very little use, so far, of the ostrich plume—cavalier-wise, ostrich is probably used by the best designers. There is more of youth in the ostrich-fancy than there is in the plume, so the use of the former needs no further explanation. Ribbons, especially the velvet—that prophesy full—are important, and fancy pins continue as a part of the trimming mode. Lace will dignify summer hats, especially of large shapes, and the scarf—of lace, ribbon or silk, will be good in, already.

The Return Of The Picture Hat. To certain types of women the large, floppy brimmed hat is most becoming. To other types it is a positive menace with its drooping brim and size. Of late it has narrowed its usefulness because of the demand for small hats to fit the cropped head. Designers have basted themselves with this type of hat and now it is possible for the woman with short hair to have a large hat that has been designed especially for her. Stout women—who should not—will continue to indulge, but slender women—who should—may profit by the fashion.

One of the new large hats is illustrated here. There is beauty in its lace straw, and the trimming of lace, banded down with two shades of ribbon, emphasizes this fabric beauty. Such a hat must correctly frame the face—it is really a frame, not a picture—ideal.



THE GRACIOUS PICTURE HAT WITH DROOPING BRIM

PHOTOS BY JOEL FEDER



ONE PLUS ONE MAKES ONE.



Typical of the prevailing tendency to match costume details in to sets, and call the result an ensemble, this hat, matched with a scarf, becomes a most charming addition to a suit, separate coat or coat. The hat itself is of white crepe with a facing of red straw, the latter matched by hand-made flowers of red silk appliques on crown and brim. The scarf is of red and white crepe to match the hat, and the flowers applied upon one end form a second note of identity in the ensemble.

BY BARBARA WINSLOW



NO MODE OR SEASON OWNS THE ALL-BLACK HAT

A FACING OF STRAW DEFINES A MODEL OF FELT

EVERY WARDROBE HAS ITS VANITIES

In spite of the luxury of fabric, the predominance of rich colours, and the value set upon ornamentation, the trend of the mode is toward a tailoring that is paradoxical, in view of the elegance of the component parts. While this trend is apparent, even in lingerie and boudoir apparel, it is in this corner of the wardrobe that one may seek, with a reasonable assurance of finding, what may rightly be called "vanities."

These vanities are desirable to every woman, whether she incline to apparel of the strictly tailored sort, or find happiness in fluffs and furrows. And this vanity exists, even when the garment itself is possessed of a simplicity that borders on plainness. Lingerie, especially, finds its happily imperious, for undergarments must be chosen quite as carefully as outer garments, if the latter are to prove satisfactory.

The materials of both lingerie and boudoir apparel have much to do with making these models luxurious. Chiffon, Georgette, dove silk and the sheers, finest cottons are used for the former; chiffon, lace, rich silks and broadens for the latter. And any elaboration of either mode is carefully thought out and applied.

Two fabrics demand our special attention—chiffon and Georgette, the latter often spoken of; and really seeming like a practical chiffon. It might even be claimed for Georgette that it has proven the greatest fabric discovery of all time, since it is, in its finest weaves, quite as sheer as chiffon, and wears satisfactorily. The places where chiffon can be used that Georgette cannot are more than offset by the places Georgette can be used that chiffon cannot.

Both these materials play an important part in the fashioning of robes intime and lingerie. Aping their beauty, and their practicality, are the cotton voiles and cotton Georgettes, both satisfactory for every day wear, both handled with supreme artistry by the designers of fine garments. Glove silk enters into the lingerie mode and there is some use of the finer batistes and handkerchief linen.

Whether elaborate or simple, the negligee may be one of three styles—the pajama suit; a version of the coat effect that we have known so long, or an ensemble—composed of negligee and coat. This achieves variety, which is imperative at a time when the mode in general is extremely varied, so varied, in fact, that one is constantly in doubt as to what to choose. But

whatever the choice, one will find reason for satisfaction.

Consider the pictured models. The one is a new version of an old friend, the coat negligee, developed in chiffon and lace. It is a bit subtle in its lines, but achieves simplicity nevertheless, it is dainty, it is unmistakably feminine. The boudoir robe of this type will never wholly disappear, for it is the one concession to frivolous apparel that many women permit themselves.

In contrast we have the pajama suit—giving allegiance, as it happens, to the East, whence the pajamas originated. The fabric of the East, the lines are of the East, but its wearer is of the West. It does not lack for luxury, it is another type of vanity, but it possesses a comfort and freedom that is in keeping with the tailored trend, short hair and present day activities—not to mention the bromide "emancipation of women!"

We have come to expect fur, we show no surprise at ostrich or mink, put forward as a substitute for fur, and no trimming collection would be complete without embroidery and applique. Both of the latter are extremely versatile, and there is practically no limit to the imagination of designers, not only in the use of the embroideries and appliques but in the motifs of their design.

And quilting! Along with ruche, lace and applique, it is one of the fashion age, and proves a delightful addition to the season's decorations. But whatever its form, there is sure to be some sort of elaboration that may be used in the border way, and a charming way it is.

The Occident Pays Its Respects To The Orient In Both Fashion And Fabric.

READY-TO-MAKE.

For her who can sew, but has had no experience in designing, cutting, or fitting, provision has, of late, been made, and in such a way that it will substantially help in the expenditure of the dress allowance that her budget permits. Few housewives but know and make generous use of the simple cotton frocks and aprons that are offered in the art departments—garments that take on a touch of individuality when they are embellished with simple stitches, requires only a few stitches to finish them, and no fitting at all. But it is not so generally known that many of the large shops carry a

complete line of ready-to-make dresses, skirts, blouses and tunics, completely planned and almost completely fitted, one cannot expect more of the ready-to-make garment than she does of the ready-to-wear, and all of the latter do not fit exactly nor come in the correct length. These convenient pieces of apparel come in a reasonably wide variety of fabric, colour and line—many of them have a Parisian source, the embroideries of the sort that only the French seem able to do. For the woman who is limited as to her means, or for her who would have a greater variety than her purse permits, these garments are a sure and safe solution.

"VOGUES OF 1925."

The vogue for kaisha, harem, charman and felloe.
The vogue for loose, chiffon and the two combined.
The vogue for stripes, for plaids, for prints.
The vogue for coats of velvet or ermine.
The vogue for pastel, jewel, rainbow and flower tones.
The vogue for the jumper or two-piece frock.
The vogue for the costume or ensemble suit.

The vogue for the ensemble in the realm of accessories.
The vogue for lace, chiffon and the two combined.
The vogue for printed or plaided bathing frocks.
The vogue for the pajamas for both home and beach wear.
The vogue for the jabot, the plastron and the gilet.
The vogue for embroideries, quilting and applique.
The vogue for the pointed crown with folds or dents.

The Border Line of Fashion.

The border line of fashion is, fittingly, the border! And it distinguishes this year's spring coat from the spring coat of 1924 in a way as unmistakable as it is smart. No matter what the general style of the coat itself, it will choose for itself a trimming that may be used as a border, and it is little short of amazing how versatile these trimmings may be.

At times the fabric itself is bordered as to weave; again, when the fabric is sufficiently supple it may border itself with tuckings, pleats or ruching, the latter very smart and very new. The use of one shade of the material upon another shade is sponsored, and the ever present artificial flower trimming provides a border of ribbon ruche.

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EASTER.

The fests are done; the Aves said: The moon has filled her horn; And the solemn night I watch Before the Easter morn.
So pure, so still the starry heaven, So hushed the brooding air, I could hear the sweep of an angel's wings.
If one should earthward fare,—Edna Dean Proctor.



A Negligee Bordered with Lace Fastens With A Flower And A Ribbon Tie.

The funeral of Mr. Louis Ardain took place at Shanghai at the Okawaki cemetery. The cortege left Hospital Stc. Marie, the chief mourner being the son of the deceased, accompanied by Mr. J. Meyrier, the acting French Consul general. The pall bearers were Messrs. C. Lem, Sub-Manager of the Banque de l'Indo-Chine, H. Andier, Chairman of the French Chamber of Commerce, C. J. Scott, Chairman of the Foreign Exchange Bankers Association, A. du Pac de Wardens, J. Theimar and M. Peelman. The ceremony, which was simple but impressive, was attended by all the French Community, and a great number of people of all nationalities. At the cemetery tributes were paid to the late Mr. Ardain by Mr. J. Meyrier, H. Medier and M. A. du Pac. Marshalls. A detachment of mounted policemen formed a guard of honour escorting the coffin from the hospital to the cemetery.

"CHINA MAIL" SPORTS GUIDE.

WHAT TO SEE TO-DAY.

Variety of Events.

A WIDE RANGE OF CHOICE.

[By "Hotspur"]

Lovers of sport have a wide range of choice to-day. Perhaps of foremost interest will be the Jockey Club's fourth extra race meeting, at Happy Valley.

There are eight events on the card. The first race starts at 3.00 p.m. Therefore, the first saddling bell will be rung at 2.30 p.m. Those who wish to be there in time for the first race should arrive not later than 2.45 p.m. Journey by train from the Post Office is about 20 minutes.

The big event is the fourth race, which will be run off at about 4.30 p.m. but to be on the safe side, it would be best to get down a lot later than 4 p.m. The cash sweep tickets for this race are \$10 each and for the other events \$5 each.

FOOTBALL MATCH.

Civilians v. Chinese Exhibition.

Only one football match, under the association code, is down for play, and a very big "gate" is assured, mostly of Chinese. Details follow:—

At the "Club" ground, Happy Valley, kick-off at 5 p.m. sharp. At the conclusion of this game the "Lai Wah" Cup will be presented to the winners (The "Civilians").

The following are the teams for Saturday's game:—
Civilians: "Rodger" (Club); Wheeler (Kowloon); Bishop (Club); Watson and Stewart (Club); A. Duncan (Kowloon); Johnston and Forsyth (Club); Johnson (Police); Gosano and Brown (Club de Recreio).
Chinese: Lau Hing-cheung; Lai Yuk-tat, Chan So; Leung Yuk-long, Wong Sui-wai, Lam Yuk-ying; Pank Kam-wing, Suen Kam-shun, Wong Pak-chung, Li Wai-tong and Chan Kwong-in.

BOXING TOURNEY.

Cartledge and Dupree Fight To-night.

At the Theatre Royal, commencing 9.15 p.m., the boxing association is putting up one of their best programmes to date, as follows:—

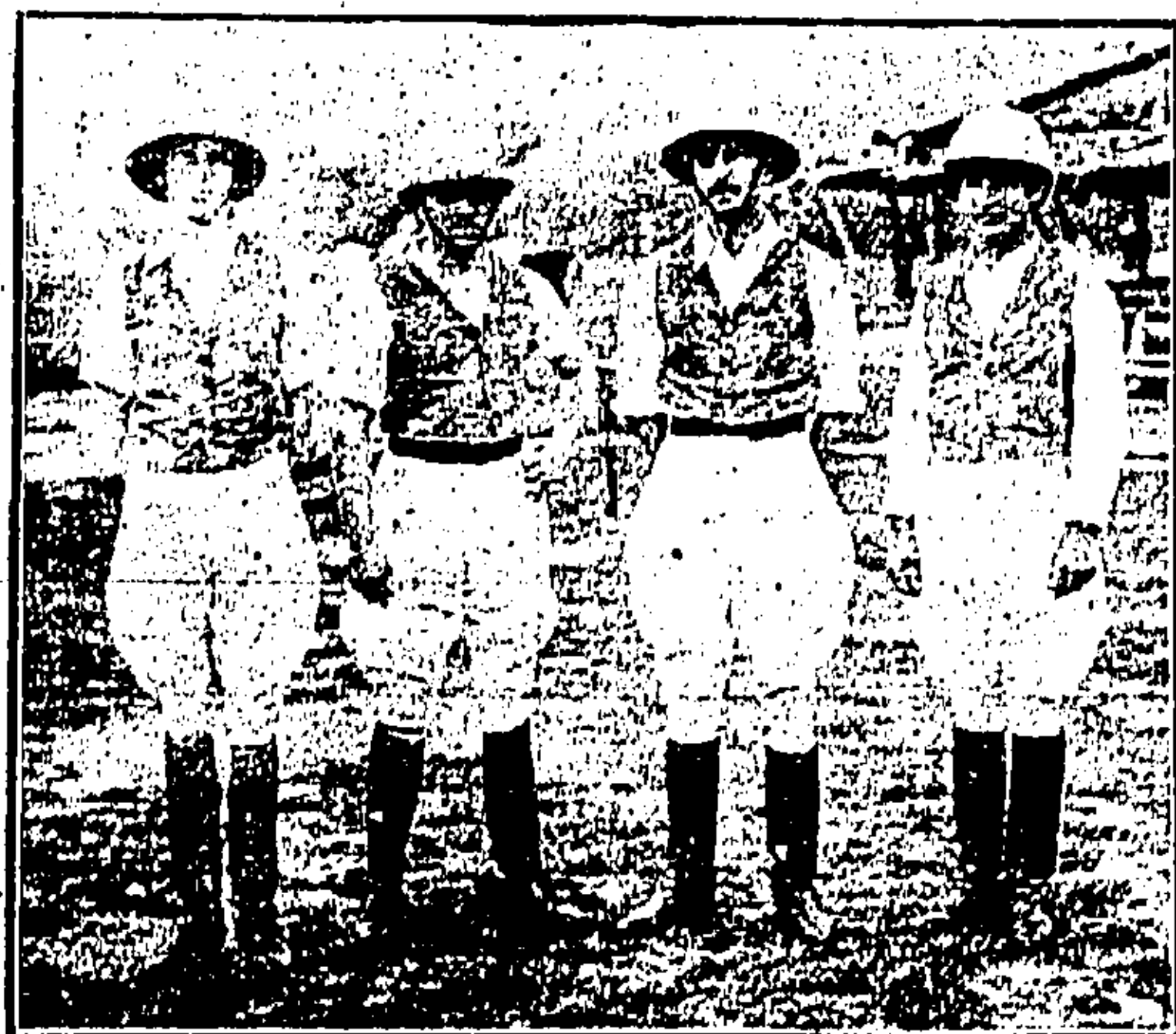
Catchweight (Maid Ever) 15 rounds: C. P. O. Jim Cartledge, Royal Navy Yard, lightweight champion of Hongkong, v. Andre Dupree, ex-featherweight champion of France.

Supporting the top-line are the following six-round bouts:—
Heavyweight: A. B. Moir, H.M.S. Durban (Heavyweight champion of Hongkong, v. A. B. Quinn, H.M.S. Brisbane).
Leading Seaman Francis, H.M.S. Titania (Heavyweight champion, Navy and Marines; Runners-up, Imperial Services Championship).
Bantamweight: H. Major (Hongkong) v. Boy Fleming, H.M.S. Brisbane.

Featherweight: Drummer Bowles, 1st East Surrey Regt. v. Signaller Ollivaux, French gunboat Argus.

Lightweight: Signaller Thomas, H.M.S. Durban v. A. B. Quinn, H.M.S. Brisbane.

Lightweight: Stoker, Le Guillou, French gunboat Vigilante v. Boy Burrows, H.M.S. Durban.



Hongkong's Army polo team which lost to the Civilians, who won the K.O.V.L. Cup this year. The match was played on Thursday at the Polo Ground, Causeway Bay. Left to right, the team in: Lieut. Sugden (No. 8), Captain O'Sperry (No. 1), Captain Bennett (No. 2) and Lieut. Davies (back). Major-General C. C. Luard, (the G.O.C.) kindly officiated as umpire.

From the foregoing it will be seen that the programme has a distinct international flavour. The participants are from the Imperial Navy, the Australian Navy, the French Navy, France and Hongkong.

Yesterday, Mr. J. Brooks, the popular Association manager, assured me that both the principals were very fit.

It is the opinion of experts that the fight may go the full distance, but brimful of interest from the first sound of the gong. The chances are very open. As both men will have reputations to keep, they will both be out to win. May the better man do so!

Moir and Francis are both very strong and real heavyweights, well over 12 stone. Moir prefers a longer distance than six rounds; preferably fifteen. He has fought professionals in the front rank at home. Francis fought once, out here before he had poisoned feet and could not do himself justice. Now he is fit as a fiddle. In Mr. Brooks's opinion, the two men constitute the two best heavyweights at present in China.

Major, formerly of the Surrey Regiment, has often been seen in the ring in Hongkong and his name is a guarantee of genuine sportsmanly endeavour. At the V.R.C. he was given the decision over Fleming in three rounds, but there was very little between them. To-night they fight six rounds and it is going to be a "nippy" contest.

Another contest of which details are missing, mentioned by Mr. Brooks, is one in which Mason, who won at the V.R.C. from Eaton in the middleweight, is engaged.

LAWN BOWLS.

League Season Commences To-day.

Six lawn bowls league matches will give a start to the season this afternoon. One of them is at Kowloon and the remainder in Hongkong.

In the first division, the Kowloon Dock won promotion from the juniors last year and the Police were relegated. The East Point R.C. are new-comers.

Details follow:—

First Division.

Taikoo v. Kowloon B.G.C. Kowloon C.C. v. Civil Service C.C.

Second Division.

Indian R.C. v. Taikoo R.C. East Point R.C. v. Kowloon C.C. Police R.C. v. R.H.K. Yacht Club.

The home team is named first in each instance. The games are timed to start at 3.30 p.m. sharp.

CRICKET PRACTICE.

Interport Team to be Seen "In Action"?

At the H.K.C.C. ground, there will be no tennis till Monday. The cricket season being over there will be no matches.

However, the nets will be put up and, presumably, the members of the interport team which is leaving on May 8 to play Shanghai, will be seen at practice.

RIFLE SHOOT.

Old Marines' Association Meeting.

On Sunday, the Royal Marines Old Comrades Association of Hongkong and South China is holding a rifle meeting at Stonecutters Island.

A launch will leave Blake Pier.

LOCAL SPORT.

TENNIS TOURNEY.

O'CALLAGHAN IN DOUBLES SEMI-FINAL.

GREEN & LO.

(By "Hotspur")

Exhilarating tennis ranging from a snappy doubles match to a protracted singles duel was seen on the H.K.C.C. courts yesterday in the concluding stages of the annual tennis tournament.

Pride of place—the stand court—was given to the third round Open Singles tie between M. W. Lo and S. E. Green who could not decide who was to meet Captain C. T. O'Callaghan in the fourth round. Just before semi-darkness, the match was abandoned, with the score at two sets all, and the tie will have to be replayed.

Green seldom ventured to the net at all, being content to exploit his drives—both forehand and backhand—to the corners of his opponent's court and keeping him mostly on the run. As a player who was champion so many years ago, Green won applause for the show he put up against a younger but experienced player. The champion's strong service also stood him in good stead and his placing once more was excellent. He concentrated on Lo's backhand but did not find the weak spot hoped for.

Lo played a studied game and was the perfection of coolness, although obviously distressed and not fit. Between his sound service, he varied his game with understanding, bringing off his pretty chops and cuts. His placing was on a level with Green's but his drives were not nearly so powerful.

After 4 games all in the fourth set, Green had the lead twice but could not finish the match, each player losing their service in turn. Lo took the lead at 7-6 but Green won the next game, 7 all. Green led again 8-7 but lost three games and the set. In the last few games Lo attempted to go up to the net but it did not always pay and he kept on the defensive to profit by Green's mistakes.

There were very few spectators in the stand but the replay should attract considerably more interest. Ng Sze-cheong, who has played at Wimbledon as S. C. Wu, won his way to the fourth round where he will, but accidents, meet the champion Honda, who wrested the title from his brother, Ng Sze-kwong, last year. Against Yamada, Ng was easily the superior after an indifferent opening, but the Japanese player was below his best.

Service Tactics.

Much comment has followed the practice of one or two players in the tournament of suddenly switching off to an under-arm service in the middle of a game without notifying the opposition. Apparently, there is nothing in the rules against this. At any rate, Ng won many points yesterday by his tactics, the feature of which is the "cut, both forehand and backhand, the double 'break' being apt to deceive. Ng played well all round but does not seem to have the force with which to extend Honda.

Captain O'Callaghan and Dr. Gowler, after winning the first set from the I.R.C. last evening, were given a run in the next two sets which they won after 12 games each. O'Callaghan was again brilliant and it was mainly due to his initiative that their opponents were kept to the base line. Some very good volleying duels were seen in which the youngsters gained considerable credit. They will improve with experience and when they are better developed. In the tournament they have combined very well and played with understanding.

A small group of spectators saw W. and Mrs. Woodward win their way to the semi-final round of the mixed handicap doubles. The handicap was just a little too much for Lloyd and Miss Peck. Both ladies played well.

Yesterday's Results.

Open Championship Singles (second round):—T. Honda (holder) beat T. Akiyama, 6-1, 6-1, 6-4.

Open Championship Singles (third round):—Ng Sze-cheong beat T. Yamada, 3-6, 6-2, 6-0, 6-1.

Open Championship Singles (third round):—M. W. Lo and S. E. Green—unfinished, to be replayed. Lo won the first set, 6-4, lost 5-7 and 1-6, and won the fourth 10-8—2 sets all.

Open Championship Doubles (fourth round):—Captain C. T. O'Callaghan and Dr. D. R. Gowler beat L. M. S. Lloyd and J. A. Cassumbhoy, 6-0, 7-5, 7-5.

Mixed Doubles Handicap (third round):—W. and Mrs. Woodward (rec. 15) beat L. M. S. Lloyd and Miss Peck (scr.), 7-5, 8-6, 6-3.

Semi-Finals.
On the stand court, it is hoped to play off, weather permitting, the semi-finals in the Open Doubles Championship on Monday and Tuesday. Details as to the semi-finalists will be found in the appended table.

Monday's Fixture.

In addition to the open doubles match, the following are down for decision on Monday:—
Open Championship Singles (third round):—S. Fujita v. F. A. Redmond.

Handicap Doubles (third round):—B. D. Evans and W. Hyde (owe 3/6) v. Dr. D. J. Valentine and R. J. Saunders (scr.). (Fourth round):—A. S. and G. B. Hatt (scr.) v. J. A. Worswick and E. F. Stewart (rec. 15).

Mixed Doubles Handicap (semi-final):—W. and Mrs. Woodward (rec. 15) v. G. R. and Mrs. Sayer (owe 1/6).

OUTSTANDING MATCHES.

The table of outstanding fixtures on Friday morning, May 1, as posted up to date, now stands as follows:—

Open Singles.

The following matches remain to be played:—
2.—3rd round, S. Fujita v. F. A. Redmond (Monday).

3.—3rd round, B. C. Rincher v. T. Honda.

5.—3rd round, M. W. Lo v. S. E. Green (to be replayed).

6.—4th round, S. A. Rumjahn v. winner of No. 3.

7.—1st round, winner of No. 3 v. Ng Sze-cheong.

8.—4th round, Captain C. T. O'Callaghan v. winner of No. 5.

9.—4th round, Ho Ka-lau v. H. D. Rumjahn.

10.—Semi-final, winner of No. 6 v. winner of No. 7.

11.—Semi-final, winner of No. 8 v. winner of No. 9.

12.—final, winner of No. 10 v. winner of No. 11.

Open Doubles.

The following matches remain to be played:—
2.—semi-final, Captain C. T. O'Callaghan and Dr. D. R. Gowler v. M. W. and M. K. Lo.

3.—semi-final, H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn v. Yew Man-tsun and Ho Ka-lau.

4.—final, winner of No. 2 v. winner of No. 3.

Club Championship.

The following matches remain to be played:—
1.—3rd round, T. Monaghan v. W. Hyde.

2.—3rd round, A. S. Hett v. S. E. Green.

3.—3rd round, Major Hattersley Smith v. F. A. Redmond.

4.—semi-final, W. B. Cornaby v. winner of No. 1.

5.—semi-final, winner of No. 2 v. winner of No. 3.

6.—final, winner of No. 4 v. winner of No. 5.

Handicap Singles "A".

The following matches remain to be played:—
1.—2nd round, Dr. W. L. Forster (owe 3/6).

2.—3rd round, Dr. D. J. Valentine (rec. 4/6) v. winner of No. 1.

3.—3rd round, Dr. J. Allfree (rec. 2/6) v. G. W. G. Simpson (rec. 4/6).

4.—semi-final, Major Hattersley Smith (owe 3/6) v. E. Grimbie (rec. 3/6).

5.—semi-final, winner of No. 2 v. winner of No. 3.

6.—final, winner of No. 4 v. winner of No. 5.

Handicap Singles "B".

The following matches remain to be played:—
1.—3rd round, G. de Man (scr.) v. A. C. I. Bowker (rec. 2/6).

2.—3rd round, C. W. E. Bishop (owe 1/6) v. Captain L. W. Bennet (rec. 3/6).

3.—semi-final, L. M. S. Lloyd (owe 3/6) v. winner of No. 1.

4.—semi-final, P. H. Bonnerman (scr.) v. winner of No. 2.

5.—final, winner of No. 3 v. winner of No. 4.

Handicap Doubles.

The following matches remain to be played:—
1.—3rd round, B. D. Evans and W. Hyde (owe 3/6) v. Dr. D. J. Valentine and R. J. Saunders (scr.)—Monday.

2.—4th round, winner of No. 1 v. S. E. and D. S. Green (owe 2/6).

Tuesday.

3.—4th round, D. D. Dryden and C. W. E. Bishop (rec. 3/6) v. W. B. Cornaby and N. L. H. Ralston (scr.).

4.—4th round, A. S. and G. B. Hett (scr.) v. J. A. Worswick and E. F. Stewart (rec. 15)—Monday.

5.—semi-final, winner of No. 2 v. Lt. Col. F. S. Montague Bates and Captain R. H. P. West (owe 15).

6.—semi-final, winner of No. 3 v. winner of No. 4.

7.—final, winner of No. 5 v. winner of No. 6.

Mixed Doubles Handicap.

The following matches remain to be played:—
2.—semi-final, W. and Mrs. Woodward (rec. 15) v. G. R. and Mrs. Sayer (owe 1/6).

3.—final, winner of No. 2 v. W. and Mrs. Ispide (rec. 4/6).

Readers who are interested in the tennis tournament are advised to keep the above table for reference.

SPORTS CABLES.

HOT FAVOURITE.

SAUCY SUE WINS 1,000 GUINEAS.

EASY VICTORY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 1.
The One Thousand Guineas (one mile) at Newmarket to-day resulted as follows:—

1. Saucy Sue. 2. Miss Gadabout. 3. Firouze Mahal. There were eleven starters. Won by six lengths; two lengths between second and third.

Starting prices as follow:—1/4 Saucy Sue; 20/1 Miss Gadabout; 7/1 Firouze Mahal. Special place betting—2/1 Miss Gadabout; evens Firouze Mahal.

HOME FOOTBALL.

"KING SOCCER" GOES TO SLEEP TO-DAY.

LAST DAY'S PLAY.

(By "Hotspur")

With the exception of a few charity and exhibition matches at home, the football season closes with the final league matches to-day.

Some of the honours are already decided and other teams know their doom—relegation to outer obscurity. A few have maintained the struggle to the last and their position will not be ascertained until the complete league table gets through.

Huddersfield (holders) have—according to results cable—practically won the league championship again. Sheffield United are Cup holders. Rangers won the Scottish league and the Celtic annexed the Cup.

YESTERDAY'S MATCH.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, May 1.
The following match was played to-day in the northern section of the Third League (home team given first):—
Rochdale...2 Grimsby...0
League Tables to date follow:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

DIVISION I.

Team P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.

Huddersfield...41 21 5 5 69 27 58

West Bromwich...41 23 9 9 58 34 55

Bolton...41 22 9 10 75 35 54

Liverpool...41 20 12 9 62 54 49

Newcastle...41 16 16 10 61 42 48

Sunderland...41 19 13 9 63 51 47

Bury...41 16 15 10 52 51 47

Notts County...41 16 13 12 40 30 44

Birmingham...41 16 13 12 48 53 44

Tottenham...41 14 12 15 42 42

Cardiff City...41 15 10 16 56 51 42

West Ham...41 15 13 12 62 60 42

Mechester...41 16 9 15 67 41

Sheffield...41 13 16 13 56 39

Aston Villa...41 12 16 13 56 37

Blackburn...41 11 17 13 53 60 35

Leeds...41 11 18 12 46 34

Arsenal...41 14 22 5 46 36 33

Burnley...41 11 19 11 45 74 33

Everton...41 11 19 11 30 60 33

Nottingham...41 7 22 12 31 61 26

Preston N.E. 41 10 26 5 37 75 25

DIVISION II.

Team P. W. L. D. F. A. Pts.

Manchester Utd...41 23 8 10 57 23 56

Leicester...41 22 7 11 51 30 55

Derby...41 22 9 10 60 34 54

Chelsea...41 26 11 15 57 37 47

Portsmouth...41 14 9 17 52 51 45

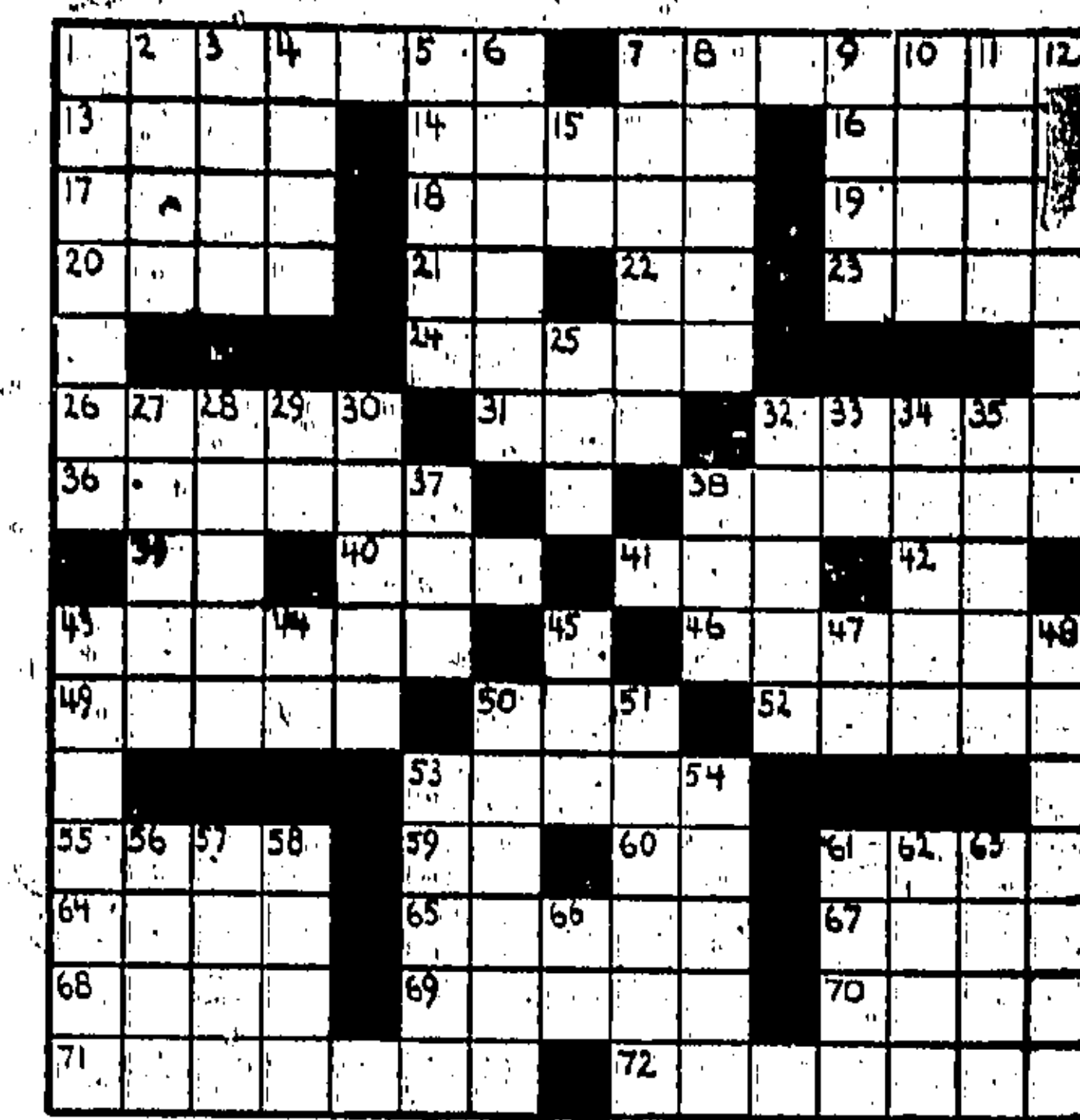
Wolverhampton...41 19 16 6 54 51 44

Hall City...41 15 15 11 51 48 41

Port Vale...41 17 17 7 47 55 41

CHINA MAIL'S CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(These cross-word puzzles have been made by experts but our readers are warned to watch out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL.

- 1—Thrive
- 7—Tropical fruit (pl.)
- 12—Wander
- 14—Kingly
- 16—Collected
- 17—Arise
- 18—Happening
- 19—Civil name
- 20—Flat material
- 21—Civil Engineer (abbr.)
- 22—Negative
- 23—Burn
- 24—Large plants
- 25—Storm
- 26—Sombre
- 27—Heal
- 28—Rocks
- 29—Impede
- 30—Toward
- 40—To cut off
- 41—A human being
- 42—Father (familiar)
- 43—Artist's stand
- 44—Various persons
- 45—Leas
- 46—Head covering
- 47—The whole range of anything
- 48—Sensitiveness of feeling
- 49—Indefinite article
- 50—Abbrev. for name of a continent
- 51—A minute particle
- 52—Scout
- 53—Several things considered as a whole
- 57—Mohammedan chief
- 58—Nature
- 59—Small Spanish horse
- 70—An elderly man
- 71—Soaked in a liquid
- 72—Argued

VERTICAL.

- 1—Likes better
- 2—Part
- 3—Egg shaped
- 4—Dishevelled
- 5—Build
- 6—Wanderers
- 7—Prohibited
- 8—Female singing voice
- 9—New spots
- 10—Cognomen
- 11—Girl's name
- 12—More precocious
- 13—You
- 25—Consumes
- 27—Rose oil
- 28—Water fowl
- 29—Printer's measure
- 30—Exchanges for money
- 32—Overpowering light
- 33—Part of verb to be
- 34—The one above
- 35—Burns
- 37—Wireless call for aid
- 38—Cut of pork
- 39—Newsman's written
- 44—For example (abbr.)
- 45—An animal
- 47—Day of the week (abbr.)
- 48—Cut off
- 50—Preserved
- 51—Kicked, as a football
- 52—Determine by measurement



BOOKS

"SANDWICH" OF COCAINE. A BOOK ABOUT THIEVES.

Crooks and "sharks," and all the strange underworld of London pass through the pages of Mr. J. G. Goodwin's latest book, "Queer Fish" (Hutchinson & Co., 18s.).

Crime is now highly specialized, says Mr. Goodwin, so that we do not speak of thieves, but of ladder thieves, portfolio thieves, area thieves, sneak thieves, and so on.

There is, again, the insurance thief, who arranges robberies, and piles up a fortune by allowing his stock to be stolen over and over again.

Life in a gaming den, in the West-end reveals some queer folk. Mr. Goodwin went with a man, formerly in the Special Branch at Scotland Yard, who told him something of the proprietor.

A year ago he was running a place in St. John's Wood, where he would let sharpshins play, bringing out special packs for their use. By examining the scroll-work design on the back the face of the card was known. The sharpshins used to hand over 30 per cent. of their winnings to the proprietor.

A SIDE-ISSUE.

This man had a side-issue. He smuggled cocaine from a Hamburg café. One lot was sewn up inside a little girl's doll, and another consignment was hidden in hollowed-out tablets of soap. According to Mr. Goodwin, it was distributed thus:—

He steams the wrapper of a pack of cards, soon after he's bought it. Then he splits a card in two, generally one of the aces. He spreads the powdered cocaine over the one half and replaces the other half.

The cocaine is now like the meat in a sandwich—in the middle—and he gums the edges of the two halves together, replaces the card in its pack and regains the wrapper, and there you are!

For a pound weight of cocaine nearly £4,000 can be obtained by this method, when diluted with 20 per cent. of boracic acid powder and another 20 per cent. of powdered aspirin.

Jewel thieves probably show more ingenuity in obtaining their spoils than others.

HIDDEN IN A CRATE.
Mr. Goodwin relates how two public school boys became crooks. In 1914 they went into the army, but were invalided out early in 1915. Their mother, a widow, died, and they went through their fortune, and decided to take up jewel thieving.

In their first adventure they drove up to an Ealing jeweller's disguised as workmen, and in broad daylight removed from its fastenings a large glass case full of jewellery.

Their second "job" was more versatile. They disguised themselves as a coachman and his mate, and when a jewel traveller with his driver drove up as usual to a certain Acton hotel, took their places on the box and got away with the samples.

Even more like a "penny dreadful" was their third escapade. They noticed that a jewellery establishment near the Strand had a heavy delivery in a big wooden crate the same day every week.

They duplicated the crate, one youth got inside, and the same night the cracksmen unfastened it, crawled out, put all the burglarisms out of action, and let his brother-in by the back way.

After that they helped themselves.

THE DETECTIVE NOVEL.

AN EXPERT'S VIEWS.

Mr. A. E. W. Mason, one of our finest writers of detective stories, gives his views in the "Nation," on the perfect detective novel. So many famous people have confessed their liking of good detective fiction, and as an acknowledged expert Mr. Mason's ideal is worthy of consideration.

"The raw material for detective stories is lying about in the streets, for whosoever can make use of it. The making use of it is, of course, the difficulty," Mr. Mason says.

"For the ordinary conditions of fiction remain, plus something else. The locality and setting must be worked into the woof of the story with even greater care than usual. For one touch of fairyland ruins it altogether. It must appear to be a record of located facts. Deftoe would have written the perfect detective novel."

"There is, perhaps, in everything of any consequence, a secret history which it would be amusing to know, could we have it authentically communicated," Mr. Boswell wrote of Dr. Johnson's trouble with Lord Chesterfield; and that sentence contains the "whole" theory of detective fiction. First the facts as known to the public and then the secret history authentically communicated. Again, if the characters are wooden and react obviously to the author's plan rather than to their own natural lines of conduct, the detective story fails, as will any other kind of fiction. The conditions are the same except that in the detective story the form is a little more rigid, and there is something else—the puzzle.

"No doubt, for its entertainment, the book will surely considerably upon its puzzle. It is fun for the author, who tries by whatever ingenious means he may be master of to keep his secret to the last possible moment. It is fun, too, for the reader, who seeks to disentangle the threads and beat the author."

"For this reason, if the book is to succeed, the author must play fair, he must not seek to baffle his reader by introducing some new character, or some new factor at the very end of the book without which a solution of his mystery is impossible. But he must so con-

BOOKS AND READING.

"It's this mania for keeping up to date," said Mr. Cardan, "that has killed the art of reading." Most of the people I know read three or four daily newspapers, look at half-a-dozen weeklies between Saturday and Monday, and a dozen reviews at the end of every month. And the rest of the time, as the Bible with justifiable vigour would put it, the rest of the time they are whoring after new fiction, new plays and verses and biographies. They have no time to do anything but skim along uncomprehendingly. If you must complicate the matter by writing tragedy in terms of farce, you can only expect confusion. Books have their destinies like men. And their fates, as made by generations of readers, are very different from the destinies foreseen for them by their authors. *Gulliver's Travels*, with a minimum of expurgation, has become a children's book; a new illustrated edition is produced every Christmas. That's what comes of saying profound things about humanity in terms of a fairy story. . . . Sometimes the adult masterpieces of one generation become the reading of schoolboys in the next. . . . At the end of the account it is the readers who make the book what it ultimately is. The writer proposes, the readers dispose."—"Those Barren Leaves," by Aldous Huxley.

duct his story that the reader shall be tempted to go back and read the book again; and that on such a re-perusal, he shall be compelled to say: 'Yes, the truth was there set out for me to see, if I had been able to see it.'

"I have left the greatest of all the conditions necessary in this kind of book to the last. All the great detective novels are known by and live on account of their detectives. Lupin, Sherlock Holmes, Monsieur Lecocq—above all, I think, Monsieur Lecocq in the volume of the novel which bears his name. Has not Father Brown joined that select company? The detective must be an outstanding person, actual, picturesque, amusing, a creature of power and singularity. Without such a being, the detective novel, however ingenious, will pass back to the lending library. With him it may find a permanent place upon the bookshelf."

THE CONRAD SALE.

Nothing very remarkable happened at the sale of the Conrad manuscripts, typescripts, and proof-sheets sold by Messrs. Hodgson. The highest price was \$150 paid for the original holograph manuscript of "The Telo," a short story of the Great War. It was much altered and over-written. The next price was \$36 paid for the typescript of an unpublished article, "The Unlighted Coast," Conrad's impressions of his trip on a mystery ship, including an account of a fight between a Zeppelin and a drifter. This was one of the few literary fruits of the Great War from Conrad's hand. It was intended that he should write the record of the mercantile marine in the war, and again that he should write on the work of the seaplanes, and he had many fine experiences in the opportunities given to him for that purpose. But racehorses would be racehorses, and Conrad found it impossible to do anything but his own high, wayward work.



The complete final typed copy of "The Rover," with many alterations, and corrections brought \$50, and the corrected typescript of "Personal Recollections of St. John Crane" \$68. The holograph manuscript of the author's note to "Youth," which is a record of some of his personal experiences, brought \$43.

Long Haired Visitor (entering timidly)—"I have here a little poem written on snow, and—"
Editor (interrupting)—"Written on snow! We can't use anything that isn't written on paper. Sorry. Turn the knob to the right. That's it. Good morning."

ADMIRABLE AUNTS.

RELATIONS WITH AUTHORS.

The well-meaning aunt, the interfering aunt, the aunt with the benevolent or eccentric testamentary intentions, each has her place in the vast category of aunthood; but we are concerned, for the moment, with the aunt admirable (writes Dorothy M. Stuart in the Daily Telegraph). Surely the foremost place in this illustrious sisterhood must be assigned to Miss Catherine Porten, at whose name Edward Gibbon fell on five different occasions five separate and distinct tears of gratitude trickle down his ample cheek. When Mrs. Gibbon left the infant Edward perched at Putney, and dashed off to enjoy the social whirl elsewhere, it was Miss Porten who installed herself in the chair thus left empty by the side of her nephew's cradle. It was she who steered the author of the "Decline and Fall" through the many and menacing ailments of his precarious childhood, who drew out and helped to develop his early intelligence, and who, when he was sent to Westminster School, took a house in Dean's Yard so that, as he puts it, "instead of audaciously mingling in the sports, the quarrels, and the connexions of our little world, I was cherished at home under the maternal wing of my aunt."

Whom shall we set beside Miss Porten on the diads of honour? If imaginary aunts be eligible, it must surely be Miss Betsey Trotwood, even at the risk that she might at any moment leap from her lofty place with the loud slogan, "Janel, donkeys!" But, should we hesitate to set a figure, however convincing, beside an historic reality, I doubt if we could find a more worthy neighbour for Miss Porten than Miss Scott, of Sandy Knowe. Sir Walter's "kind and affectionate aunt," who charmed his crippled childhood with Border ballads, and read "Hardyknute," so often in response to his reiterated appeals that he soon had long passages of that racy epic by heart, and proceeded to "work them off" on the disconcerted "moonlighter" of the parish. We catch a last glimpse of "Aunt Jenny" when, as an ancient maiden lady, she had established herself at Kelso, in a small cottage surrounded by a garden which her nephew has described in phrases.

Annihilating all that's made
To a green thought in a green
shade.
"It was full," says Sir Walter, "of long, straight

LOVE.

"We should all be kind and good and unselfish. If we always remembered—remembered that other people are just as much alive and individual and complicated as we are, remembered that everybody needs love just as much, that the only visible reason why we exist in the world is to love and be loved."

"If loving without being loved in return may be ranked as one of the most painful of experiences, being loved without loving is certainly one of the most boring. Perhaps no experience is better calculated to make one realise the senselessness of the passion. The spectacle of some one making a fool of himself arouses only laughter. When one is playing the fool oneself, one weeps. But when one is neither the active imbecile nor the disinterested spectator, but the unwilling cause of somebody else's folly—then it is that one comes to feel that weariness and that disgust which are the proper, the human reaction to any display of the deep animal stupidity that is the root of all evil."

"It may be merely that I'm old and that my wits have thickened with my arteries; but it does seem to me that love isn't quite so exciting now as it used to be in my youth. When skirts touch the ground, the toe of a protruding shoe is an allurement. And there were skirts, in those days, draping everything. There was no frankness, no seen reality; only imagination. We were powder magazines of repression, and the smallest hint was a spark. Nowadays, when young women go about in kilts and are as bare-backed as wild horses, there's no excitement. The cards are all on the table, nothing's left to fancy. All's above-board and consequently boring."—"Those Barren Leaves," by Aldous Huxley.

walks between hedges of yew and hornbeam, which rose tall and close on either side. There were thickets of flowery shrubs, a bower, and an arbour. In the centre of the bower was a splendid Platanus, or Oriental plane, a huge hill of leaves. May the ghosts of all good aunts dwell for ever in the ghosts of just such a garden!

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SCREENLAND.

"VANITY FAIR."

One of the most notable photographic casts of the year will be seen in this city, when Hugo Ballin's production of "Vanity Fair" comes to the World Theatre very soon. This production was made at the Goldwyn studios for distribution by that company and Mr. Ballin had at his disposal all the best resources of the Goldwyn organization. The picture is one of the film achievements of the year and gives the story of Thackeray's masterpiece as he wrote it in his novel.

Mabel Ballin, the wife of the producer, is starred as Becky Sharp. She is conceded to be one of the most charming of the popular film stars of the day and has constantly been adding to her reputation as a screen player of exceptional ability. She has appeared in all of the Hugo Ballin productions up to date, included in which are "Jane Eyre," "East Lynne," "The Journey's End" and other successful productions.

Technically, there are four leading men in this production. At the head of these, on account of his long years of experience on the stage and in the silent drama, comes Hobart Bosworth. He acts the rôle of the Marquis of Steyne, a part which he has acted on the speaking stage. Mr. Bosworth needs no introduction to any motion picture audience in any country. He started his film career when motion pictures were still regarded as an adjunct of the nickelodeon and made as rapid advance in mastering the technique of screen-acting as the motion picture camera has in recording action. He made the first five-reel picture ever produced in Los Angeles, a screen version of "The Count of Monte Cristo," and has starred in a score of other motion picture features.

The George Osborne of the cast is Harrison Ford, a screen recruit from the legitimate stage who made his first picture appearance

with Fanny Ward in "The Crystal Gazers." He recently scored a big hit in the screen version of Denman Thompson's "The Old Homestead."

George Walsh, brother of R. A. Walsh, the director, plays the part of Rawdon Crawley. In his previous screen appearances, he has been cast for rôles which called for athletic prowess and daring feats. His Rawdon Crawley in "Vanity Fair" is one of the high lights in the cast.

Captain William Dobbin is played by Earle Foxe, the young actor who made his screen debut with Griffith and has since acted important rôles with every big producer in the industry. The Joseph Sedley of the cast is played by Willard Louis, a San Franciscan who started his stage career with Eleanor Harrigan. His stage sister, Amelia Sedley, is played by Eleanor Boardman, the young woman recently selected by Goldwyn out of two thousand applicants in New York City and given small rôles. Miss Boardman made such a big hit in Marshall Neilan's "The Strangers' Banquet" that she was given the present rôle in "Vanity Fair" and at the conclusion of that was selected to act the ingenue lead in "Souls for Sale." Other members of the cast are: Laura La Varnie, William Humphreys, Robert Mack, Tempe Pigott, James Marcus, Otto Lederer, Frank Hayes and a dozen others.

"THE GREEN GODDESS."

"The Green Goddess" as a play was a model of technique, having been written by William Archer, one of the world's greatest authorities on the drama. As a moving picture it is equally great in this respect. All interested in scenario writing should not fail to see the film version of "The Green Goddess," the distinctive picture starring George Arliss, which is shown at the World Theatre for the last time to-day. Particular attention is called to the suggestive methods of Forrest Halsey, the scenario writer, and master in the art. This is best

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The usual thing would have been to depict the flaming entrance of the Rajah, his love scene with the shuddering woman, his brutal kisses and her struggle. Such scenes have been so often and so obviously done that they have lost their effect.

Mr. Halsey approaches the matter in a different way, by merely suggesting the danger. All thresholds are fateful and nothing expresses destiny more clearly than a door. We see Lucilla hesitating before the entrance to the women's quarters, where two eunuchs with drawn swords stand on guard, symbolizing the cruel and despotic power of their master. Through a judicious hole in the dark, nailed studded door, the face of a hideous old woman looks out. If the eunuchs represent despotic power,

this palace hag expresses intrigue.

The door swings open and Lucilla enters, the narrow corridor closes on her like a trap. This suggests her helplessness. As she passes before a latticed doorway, she hears a murmur and starts; beyond the lattice the eyes of jealous women glare at her. We catch a glimpse of these concubines of the prince crouching to peer at the Englishwoman. To them she represents the latest favourite of the master and Lucilla, shrinking from their burning gaze, knows what they feel, and cannot defend herself.

In this effective manner the scenario writer brings before us a tragedy of suspended fear which is far more dramatic than the usual scene of unchained passion.

The manner in which the characters are developed, and the way in which the many intensely dramatic scenes are foreshadowed in the scenario of "The Green Goddess" are also very much worth the attention of the student of screen technique.

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WORLD OF SPORT.**RUGBY PENALTY LAWS.****NEW RULINGS BY INTER-
NATIONAL BOARD.**The International Rugby Board,
at their meeting at Edinburgh
made no alteration as regards
scoring values, but additions were
made to the by-laws affecting
penalties.To Law 10 the following
additions were approved:—"When a penalty kick is award-
ed the opposite side may not
charge. They must remain passive
on or behind a line drawn through
the mark where the penalty kick
is awarded and parallel with the
goal line."A change was made in Law 12
to the effect that no penalty should
be awarded if the ball does not
alight at least five yards at right
angles to the touch-line, unless
persistently thrown less than that
distance.An alteration was also made in
Law 2 referring to a goal, to read:
"A kicker and placer must, except
in the case of a penalty kick, be a
distinct person, and the kicker
may not, except in the case of a
penalty kick, touch the ball."A new subsection was added to
Law 11, whereby a player who
suffers from obstruction after
kicking the ball has the option of
a free kick, either where he was
obstructed or where the ball
landed.The Board intimated that they
had received an invitation from
New Zealand to send a team there
in 1926, and the request was
referred to the several Unions for
consideration.**ORIENTAL PENTATHLON.****NEW SCORING METHOD.**By unanimous agreement of
representatives from China, Japan
and the Philippines the method of
scoring for the Far Eastern
pentathlon will revert again to the
old method followed in the first
five championships. It was dis-
covered after the Osaka games that
the World Olympic method of
scoring the pentathlon and adopted
first in the Osaka contests would
make it possible for a contestant
to lose out in the final tabulation
of points. Danao lost out in the
Sixth Far Eastern pentathlon to a
Japanese representative just be-
cause he made a bad showing in
the javelin. Danao's score in the
other four events was far better
than that made by the Japanese
athlete who took second place.The method to be used now will
depend on the point scoring basis
instead of the place scoring basis
as used in the Osaka games. The
official vote of Japan supporting
the change was received by Fred
O. England, secretary-treasurer of
the P.A.A.F., and signed by S.
Kishi, of the Japan executive
amateur association and supported
by Ichiro Sawada representing
the rules committee. China's vote
in favour of the change has already
been received. The Philippines
also vote in favour of the alteration.that their engagements in the
Philippine Islands would not per-
mit of stopping off here for a week
or so at the present time.Arrangements were made with
them, however, for some exhibition
matches after their Philippine
trip, and they will return to Shang-
hai about the middle of May, to
play here, probably, during the
week from May 17 to 24.Though it is a disappointment
to have to put off the pleasure of
seeing these splendid players in
action here, it is certainly better
as regards the playing grounds.
The grass courts are hardly in
shape yet, but another week or two
should put them into perfect con-
dition.Also, our local stars will be
getting into shape in the mean-
time. It may interest some to
learn that the Kinsey brothers are
hot supporters of Spalding's
athletic goods, for which informa-
tion we are indebted to Jawn
Scott himself.**DAVIS CUP.****CHINA-JAPAN MATCH IN
SHANGHAI?**The possibility of a game in the
Davis Cup Competition being play-
ed in Shanghai is brought up by
a letter addressed by the United
States Lawn Tennis Association
to the Japanese and Chinese
representatives for this play.
Both Japan and China drew byes
in the First Round of the Compe-
tition, in which they fall into
the American Zone. They will
meet in the Second Round, how-
ever, and the Association has sug-
gested that this contest be played
in the Far East, recommending
Japan.While it would be a splendid
thing, as regards the stimulation
of interest in lawn tennis in the
Orient, to have such matches out
here, it is pointed out by the China
representative that it would create
some difficulty as regards the Chi-
nese team. The players upon whom
China depends as best qualified to
represent her in this match are
already in America, and it would
be very difficult and expensive for
them to make the trip out here.
One brilliant player, Ng Sze-
kwong, the noted Hongkong cham-
pion, would be able to participate
were the match played out here,
but there is no one of his own bril-
liance to support him, while Lock
Wei and the other Davis Cup stars
are in America.It is unfortunate that the Chinese
cannot see their own representa-
tives in action in this country, and
the game of course suffers thereby.
In consideration of the strength of
the Japanese team, however, it
certainly seems best that China
should have her best possible set
of players to oppose them.Correspondence is now proceed-
ing between the Far Eastern
Contest Committee, Shanghai,
representing China in this com-
petition, and Mr. Asabuki, of the
Japanese Lawn Tennis Association,
with regard to location. The local
Committee are in favour of
America, for the reasons above
given, but give Shanghai as their
second choice, rather than Japan.Last year's was China's first
entry in the Davis Cup match,
when they were "defeated but not
discouraged" by the strong Aus-
tralian team. If it were possible for
Mr. Ng to go to America, to help
his compatriots there, China would
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An excellent entertainment was the unanimous verdict of a crowded house at the Star Theatre last night when Madame Kelvey again presented her talented pupils in a varied programme of dancing and other items which all combined to give the exhibition the hallmark of excellence.

A feature of the exhibition was the charming manner in which the pupils, especially the little ones, worked into the hearts of the audience whose pleasure knew no bounds.

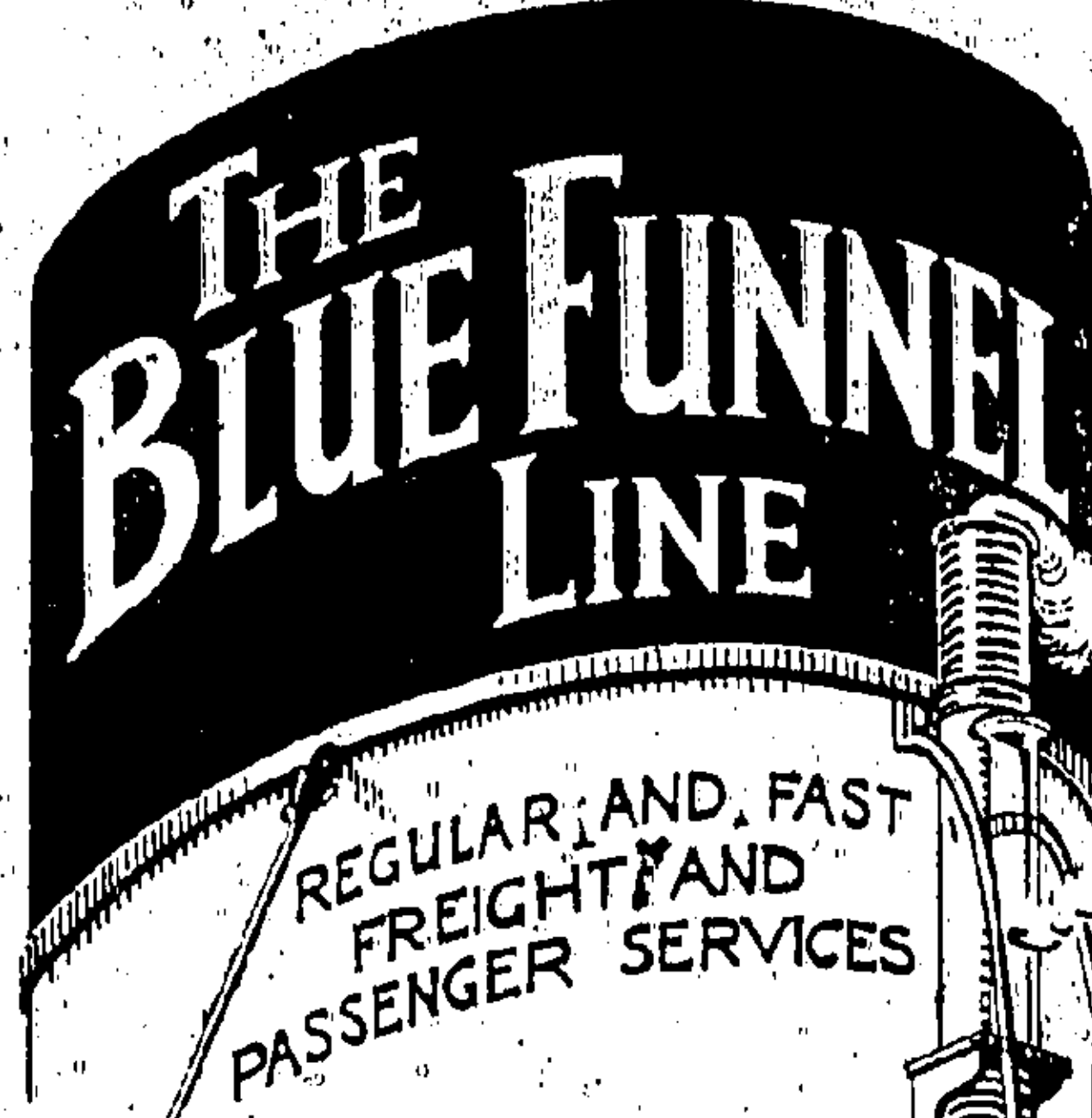
The entertainment opened with a Cake Walk by the little ones which at the outset satisfied the house that more good items were to follow. One of the smallest of the lot, Rosemary Richards, acquitted herself wonderfully for her age. Later, this little lady combined with Dorothy Tolan, Patsy Nicholls, Margaret Dixon and Joan Berry in the Horn Pipe, and with these and others in the Easter Egg Surprise, all of which were charmingly executed, the latter producing a bevy of colour which displayed pleasing effects. The greatest success was achieved by the little wonder in the Crinoline Dance Petite, the standard of which reached the perfection of "Grandma's Days" recently rendered by a professional company. Ruth Anderson—a two-year old baby—also won applause for her clever dancing. Thelma Scott gave a pleasing interpretation of The Spirit of a Rose, dancing daintily, and later combining with Chrissie Dixon, Gladys Ramsay and Olga Kelvey in the Song and Umbrella Dance which, as with most of the other items, was encored. Dorothy Tolan and Patsy Nicholls, as scaterwows, could not have done better and provided much amusement.

Gladys Ramsay and Cobby Duncan gave a pretty exhibition of dancing in a gavotte and the Garden of Dreams. These two are born dancers. Ivy Nicholls scored a distinct success in her singing, bringing the house down with her Irish songs, also rendering "Mandala" in a pleasing manner and leading her troupe of girls in the jazz dance very capably. The Rath-Drop Ballet with Annie Tolan, Annie d'Almada e Castro, Marie de Sousa, Betty Cleme, Lorna Totton, Molly d'Almada e Castro and Gladys Ramsay contained pleasing effects, and at the end some of these young ladies combined in the Oriental Ballet in which pretty dresses and good movements were seen. The Tambourine Dance by Marie de Sousa and Molly d'Almada e Castro was well executed and encored. Daphne Leigh brought the house down with a comic song, and caused immense amusement with her history of Hongkong.

The stage was flooded with bouquets and gifts to the talented little performers at the performance. It is but uttering the truth to say that the whole exhibition contained not a dull moment. The soundness of the training given by Madame Kelvey was fully demonstrated last night and other exhibitions of the kind will be keenly looked forward to by lovers of dancing.

A word in praise of the pianist and workers off and on the stage is also due.

Tenders are shortly to be called for in respect of exclusive rights to run a Kowloon bus service in place of the present irregular service, licences for which are not to be continued after 1926. The machines are to be of British make, run to a definite schedule upon certain well defined routes. Last year a K.R.A. Subcommittee reported to the authorities concerned on the matter and it is thought that much embodied in this report in regard to stopping places, routes, time tables, maximum fares etc. will be acted upon by the Government in drawing up their scheme.



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OUTWARD MAILS.

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Straits and Ceylon		Hongkong	1 p.m.
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Fort Bayard		Hoicheng	1 p.m.
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Bangkok		Tonger	2.30 p.m.
Samahai and Wuchow		Sen On	4 p.m.
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Amoy		Leinang	5 p.m.
SUNDAY, MAY 3.			
Hoihow and Haiphong		Minggang	3.30 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok		Kwanlung	9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa		Kaijo Maru	9 a.m.
MONDAY, MAY 4.			
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. C. & S. America and Europe via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco 25th May—and Europe via Siberia (Correspondence specially superscribed via Siberia only.) Registration 9.45 a.m. Letter 10.30 a.m.		Siberia Maru	
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Swatow and Bangkok		Hermelin	3.30 p.m.
Amoy, Shanghai and Japan		Taiwa	5 p.m.
TUESDAY, MAY 5.			
Swatow and Bangkok		Hongkong	8.30 a.m.
Straits and Ceylon 10.30 a.m. Letter 10.30 a.m.		Taiwa	
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Swatow, Amoy and Formosa		Haiphong	3 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, MAY 6.			
Saigon		Mausang	10.30 a.m.
Java via Batavia		Tjikong	11.30 a.m.
Swatow		Takung	5 p.m.

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Middle road, Kowloon, from the South-East corner of Inland Lot 414 to its junction with Salisbury and Chatham roads is shortly to be closed.

A Chinese was taken to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday with a broken leg after he was knocked down by a motor cycle driven by one K. T. Chui.

Mr. G. R. Sayer, who has been acting as Assistant Colonial Treasurer, has been appointed Assistant Colonial Treasurer and Assistant Assessor of Rates. Official notification of this appointment is contained in the current number of the Government Gazette.

In order that the Little Sisters of the Poor organisation in the Colony may be enabled to hold immovable property in perpetual succession a Bill is shortly to be introduced into the Legislative Council for its incorporation.

Official notification of the moving of buoys marking the Confucius Channel, Yangtze River, is contained in the Government Gazette. Centaur Upper Buoy will be moved 5 1/2 cables N. 1/2 W. from its present position. Knuckle Buoy will be moved 3 cables N. 6 1/2 W. from its present position. The characteristics of these buoys will not be changed. All bearings given are magnetic.

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